

# 2021 ANNUAL LETTER





# 2021 GATHER FOR GOOD MATCH DAY

## 2021 Stats

**\$207,421**

in Donations



**835**

Gifts



**32**

Organizations

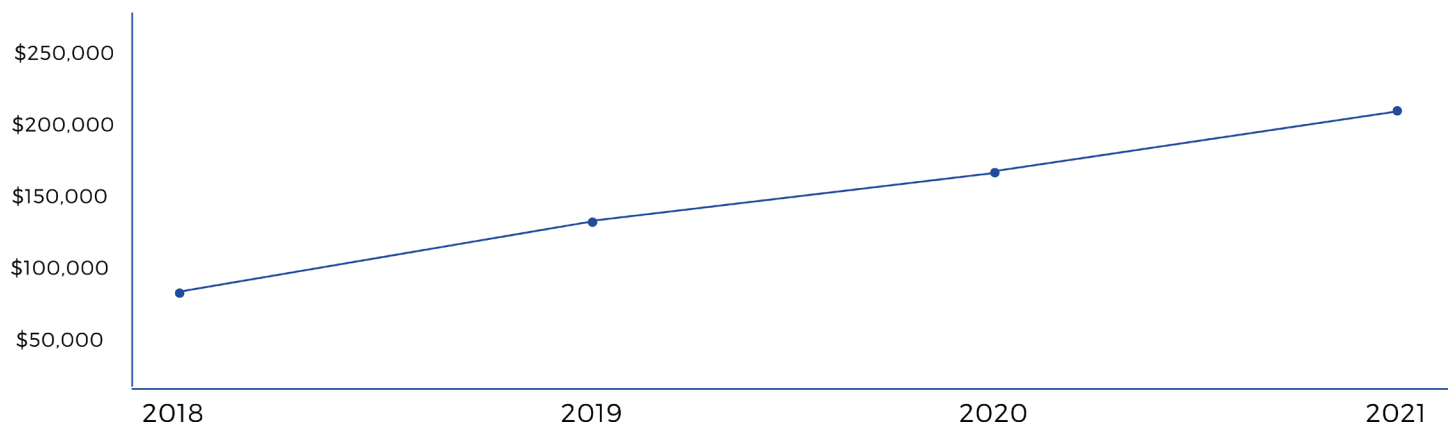


**\$30,000**

in Matching Funds



## Yearly Totals



## DID YOU KNOW?

United Bank & Trust has committed \$10,000 per year for 5 years to our match day fund. The CCCIF thanks United Bank & Trust for their generous support of our community!



## FUNDS OF THE FOUNDATION

A Mural Movement Fund  
Barbara Livergood (Weichel) Fund  
Bridges of Hope  
Campbell Field Improvement  
Committee Fund  
CCARE Fund  
CCCHS Stadium Complex Fund  
CCCIF Pool & Park Fund  
Clay Center Action Network Fund  
Clay Center Christmas Festival Fund  
Clay Center Community Foundation  
Match Day Fund  
Clay Center Community Improvement  
Foundation Fund  
Clay Center Hospital Foundation  
Fund  
Clay Center Presbyterian Manor Fund

Clay Center Public Utility Zoo & Park  
Fund  
Clay Center Youth Basketball  
Association Fund  
Clay County 4-H Development  
Fund  
Clay County Arts Council Fund  
Clay County Child Care Fund  
Clay County Educational Endowment  
Fund  
Clay County Fair Board Exhibit Hall  
Fund  
Clay County Historical Society &  
Museum Fund  
Clay County Long Term Recovery  
Fund  
Common Ground Ministries Fund

Community Center of Clay Center  
Fund  
Community Church Camp Committee  
Fund  
Dewey L and Carol E Adams  
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Friends of the Clay Center Library  
Fund  
Gillard Family Charitable Fund  
Guatemala Improvement Fund  
Jane Siebert Charitable Fund  
Jayson C. & Jennifer L. Hood Family  
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Kansas Landscape Arboretum, Inc.  
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Konza United Way Clay County Fund  
Lighthouse for Christ Fund

Pawnee Mental Health Services Fund  
of Clay Center  
People Helping People Fund  
Presbyterian Youth Ministries Fund  
Ross Pat McDaniel Fund  
Scouts in Clay Center Fund  
SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church –  
Handicapped Accessible Bathroom  
Fund  
St. Paul Lutheran Church Fund  
USD 379 Fund  
Wakefield Birthday Bash Committee  
Fund  
Wakefield Museum Association Fund  
Wakefield PRIDE Fund

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE 2022  
GATHER FOR GOOD MATCH DAY ON SEPTEMBER 15TH!**

# 2021 GATHER FOR GOOD DONORS

The Clay Center Community Improvement Foundation is grateful to the many generous donors who make our work and the work of our partner nonprofit agencies possible. Thank you to everyone who gave in 2021!

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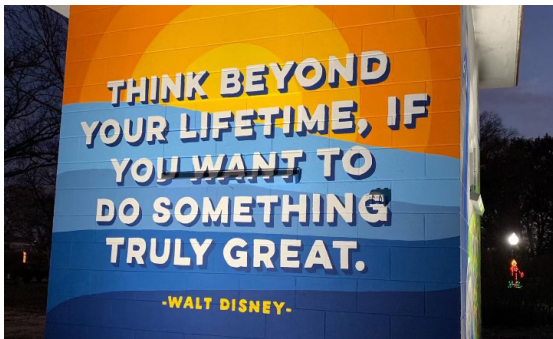
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# COMMUNITY UPDATES

## CCCIF Recieved a Substantial Donation to our General Fund

The only request from this donor was “to get out there and make something happen” you don’t have to look far to see something happening. The CCCIF learned that the city was in the process of putting new equipment at Reed’s Park and were short on funding. The gift of \$20,000 from the “Make It Happen” fund is a visible reminder of the difference one family can make in the future of our community.



## CCCIF Mural Movement

We are so proud of our Mural Movement Fund and we decided we wanted to be part of the excitement! Check out our mural at the Utility Park Zoo and be inspired by our vision to:

“Think beyond your lifetime, if you want to do something truly great”  
-Walt Disney

## Pool and Park Fund

One of the funds at CCCIF is the Pool and Park Fund. The CCCIF board decided that installing a basketball court at Reed’s Park would be a great use of such funds. We love driving by and watching people enjoy this great addition to our community. This is another example of working with the City Parks and Rec Department to meet some of their goals for our city parks.



## Donor Advised Funds

A donor advised fund at the Clay Center Community Improvement Foundation is easy to establish and enables donors to simplify and consolidate their charitable giving while remaining actively involved in recommending grants to nonprofit organizations. Donor advised funds also provide an excellent way to build a tradition of charitable giving in a family. Many donors choose to involve their children or grandchildren as advisors during their lifetime, or to involve them as successor advisors after they are no longer actively involved with the fund.

Donors may recommend grants to any 501(c)(3) public charity in the United States. Our foundation performs due diligence to make sure grants are given to organizations that meet current 501(c)(3) IRS requirements. Our Executive Board of Directors is legally responsible for approving all grants and ensuring that grants are administered in accordance with IRS regulations. We take care of all the administrative details, so that our donors may focus on charitable giving!

Grants feature the fund name on the check, so the charity clearly understands that the grant was made possible through the recommendation of the donor, unless the donor wishes that the grant be made anonymously.

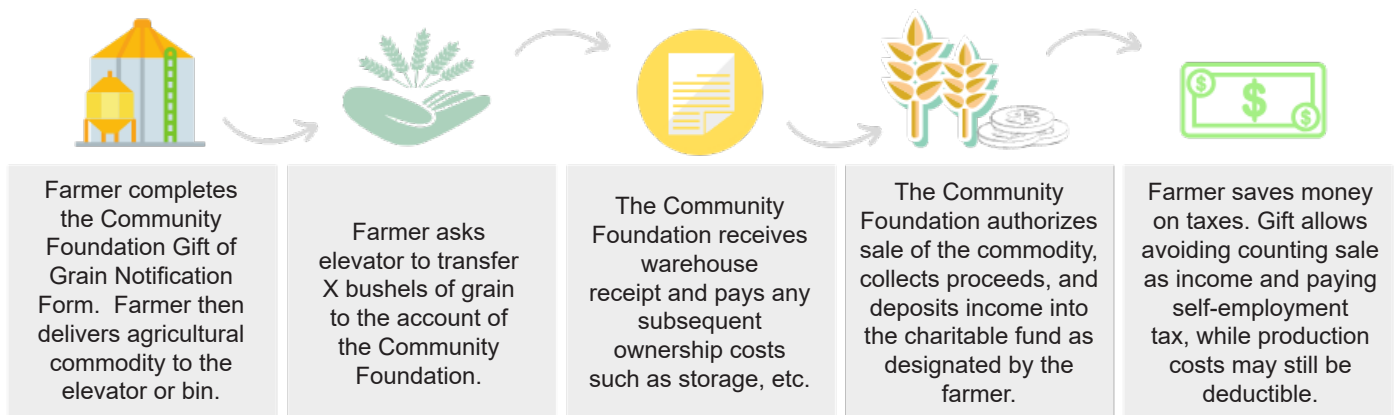


# GIFT OF GRAIN

Your crops are your livelihood, your life. You prepare, you plant, you nurture and it grows. That's what we do with the charitable gifts entrusted to the community foundation and we invite you to grow the future of our community with us.

Donating a gift of grain to the community foundation is a simple way to make a lasting difference. The value of the grain can be used to start an endowed fund in the name of your family, for a specific nonprofit organization important to you or support the overall charitable causes in the area. No matter what type of endowment fund you choose to establish or support, you can be sure that your gift of grain is growing the future of the local area

By giving grain to the Clay Center Community Improvement Foundation, you avoid including the sale of the grain in your farm income, but you still deduct the cost of growing the crops, which typically results in saving on your taxes. You can find the form at all of our local elevators, or on our website and it allows you to choose which fund of the foundation you would like to support.



"Born, raised, and returned to Clay Center, we are thankful to choose to raise our children in this beautiful community. The benefits of raising our family in a small town in rural America are numerous and we could not be more proud to call Clay Center home. Small towns thrive with the amazing people who choose to live here and grow our communities. When everyone contributes their time, talents, and finances, we work together to create our flourishing corner of Kansas. Gifting grain allows our family to maximize our contribution to support our community that we love."

- Russ & Paige Taddiken

**LEARN MORE AT [CLAYCENTERCIF.COM/GIFT-OF-GRAIN](https://claycentercif.com/gift-of-grain)**

## Reasons for Giving to a Community Foundation Instead of Directly to a Charity

### Simplicity

"One-stop-shop"  
Easy way to support the groups/issues you care about with a gift to a single organization

### Accountability

An annual independent audit ensures fiscal responsibility

### Recognition or Anonymity

You may choose to receive public recognition or remain completely anonymous

### Tax Benefits

Gifts receive the maximum tax advantages for income, gift, and estate tax purposes

### Objectivity

Unrestricted funds are used to support community needs. Other donor-established funds benefit their favorite causes. Our sole objective is to facilitate philanthropy and further develop a habit of giving back to the community

### Effective Leadership

Confirmed in compliance and meet National Standards for quality, donor service, and accountability

### Stewardship

We protect a donors desires by reallocated funds according to the donor's original intent

### Professional Management

Allow donors to choose their professional advisors and have them follow the guidelines established by the GMCF Investment Committee. This allows funds to focus on their mission of charitable giving for community improvement

### Permanence

Your outright or deferred gift will last forever when it is given to the CCCIF or one of its permanent endowments. With an endowment, assets are invested, generating an ongoing source of income year after year

### Flexibility

We help you develop a plan to meet your financial needs and all charitable intentions, now and in the future

### Guidance

Find out about the ways you can fulfill your charitable goals, contact the CCCIF staff at (785) 632-2174

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The Power of Community.**

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