Quarterly Newsletter



October 24, 2019



At our quarterly Trustee meetings, we set aside time at the end of the meeting for educational information about the ECF. For the October meeting, we hosted the Chase County Elementary School Principal, Pam Bevan, and four students. They spoke about the different programs funded by the *Kaltenbacher, Chase County Community and the Earl and Stelouise Sauder Youth Assistance Funds* and the positive results these grants have had for the students. Among other things, these grants have funded: Equipping minds - a brain training program; WatchDOGS - positive volunteer male figures during the school day to mentor boys; guitars and music stands for music classes; Growing Up Giving at Match Day; an ag project raising calves from bottles to beef on the school grounds; supplies for teachers that they would normally pay for out of their own pockets; and, for the entire elementary school, a bus trip to Kansas City to see the

"My Chase County Pride was showing at the October Trustee meeting when the elementary students shared their favorite projects funded from several ECF Funds."—Kay Lauer Broadway production of Lion King "on a bus with bathroom!" (according to one of the students)! Miss Bevan said she had heard about the generosity of the community and the grant funding before coming to Chase County, but it is gratifying to see the positive results of the programs in

action that sets her school above others. Miss Bevan and the students are enthusiastic and grateful for thelegacy of the Kaltenbachers, the Sauders and those donating to the Chase County Community Fund. As she said, "These programs allow us to have learning with no limit!".



Fourth Quarter Calendar

October

27-29 – Community Foundation Conference

<u>November</u>

- 1 Trusler Foundation Grant Deadline
- 6 Mini Match Day-Riverside Elementary
- 11 Match Day-FlintHills Mall

15 -**79 Fund** Grant Application Deadline 28-29 – Thanksgiving Holiday (Office Closed)

December

3 – Match Day Check
Presentation-Giving
Tuesday-FlintHills Mall
24-25 – Christmas Holiday (Office Closed)
31 – New Year's Eve

<u>January</u>

- 1 New Year's Day (Office Closed)
- 18 Quarterly Trustee Meeting
- 23 Non-Profit Grant Writting Seminar



Investing in the Community

The ECF ended the 3rd quarter with **\$24.5 million** in assets. What makes this number impressive is the **\$439,000** that was awarded in grants and scholarships during the same period. Thank you for choosing the ECF to assist with your charitable giving! Let's talk about scholarships because that money has a big impact on students seeking post-secondary education. This year the ECF has awarded over

\$100,000 to 125

students. That's an average of \$800 per recipient! Why is the ECF a great place to establish a scholarship?

Scholarship money is sent directly to the financial aid office at the school instead of to the student. If the student doesn't attend school as planned, the scholarship money is returned to the fund at the ECF. The ECF houses scholarship funds for USD 251 North Lyon County, USD 252 Southern Lyon County, USD 253 Emporia and USD 284 Chase County in addition to several individual scholarship funds. If you would like to learn more about scholarship funds, please contact the office.

What Is Your Legacy?

A Legacy should be deeply considered. It takes on immortality, and it is how we live on after death. If we think of our legacy as a gift, it places an emphasis on the thoughtful, meaningful, and intentional aspects of legacy. The consequences of what we do now will outlive us. – Katherine Meadowcroft

Save the date!! June 26, 2020!!



Match Day is just around the corner and the ECF has stayed busy finishing up last minute details, organizing the Mini Match Day and keeping up with the organizations. Match Day will take place on Monday, November 11th at the Flint Hills Mall from 9 am to 7 pm.

In preparation for the big day, Mini Match Day is required as schools in the USD 253 are not in session in observance of Veteran's Day. So we're bringing Match Day to them! This year, Riverside Elementary will be hosting the second Mini Match Day. Organizations interested in participating in Mini Match Day, entered a raffle where the 10 available spots were drawn at random. The following organizations will be on-site for Mini Match Day:

-Arvonia Historic Preservation Society -Camp Alexander -Friends of the Emporia Animal Shelter -Hispanics of Today & Tomorrow -Keep It a Safe Summer -Lyon County Crime Stoppers -NLC Youth Association -Pioneer Bluffs -Team Schnak Strong Fund -William Allen White Community Partnership, Inc.

Although, these organizations will be present at Mini Match Day, all 25 non-profits are participating and can receive Growing Up Giving dollars. Teachers and students have information available for each non-profit in the Match Day website <u>emporiamatchday.com</u>.



