

Emporia Community Foundation

2021 ANNUAL REPORT



MESSAGE FROM THE ECF 2021 BOARD PRESIDENT KAY LAUER

During my term as President, I'm proud to say the ECF not only met the challenges we faced, but expanded and continued to grow. We also learned that the word "pivot" became essential in how we faced many things we'd taken for granted. We learned that while seeing the Match Day groups in person on the day of the event had been successful, going online and hosting the event in the ECF office is actually more productive. The ECF grew to over \$41.1 million in assets and over \$3.2 million in grants, scholarships and Match Day went out to the greater Emporia area during 2021. The Flint Hills Legacy program is growing and I encourage you to consider establishing a Legacy Fund to leave a gift for the future.

As my term as ECF President ends, a heartfelt thanks goes out to those who make the ECF successful. This is one of the most fulfilling volunteer positions in which I've had the honor to serve our great Flint Hills community. And, one last thought - "What is Your Legacy? Let the ECF help you create it!"

MATCH DAY 2021 Another Record Broken

The 8th annual Emporia Area Match Day event was a resounding success, culminating with the 25 participating organizations receiving \$455,703.96 during a check presentation at the Flinthills Mall on November 30th. For the first time ever, a single organization received a larger check than the proceeds from the first Match Day event in 2014. In the last eight years, over \$1.8 million has been awarded to 39 area organizations.

The \$60,000 matching pool for this year's event was contributed by the Clint Bowyer 79 Fund, the Jane & Bernard Reeble Endowed Fund, the Preston Family Charitable Fund, the Trusler Foundation, W.S. & E.C. Jones Testamentary Trust, and Nick & Jan Laurent/Fred & Paula Neuer.

This event would not be possible without the numerous businesses and individuals that provide prize money, support for expenses, and volunteer their time. Thank you!





ECF CELEBRATES 25+1 Years of Service

Three years ago, volunteers and staff began work on the ECF 25th Anniversary Celebration to be held in 2020. Then there was COVID and try as they might, they couldn't rationalize having the 25+1 Gala in 2021, even though many were vaccinated.

As in so many cases during the pandemic, ECF had to pivot and take a different path. The ECF mission is, "To connect caring people with causes that build stronger communities," and decided to do what they do best --- and that's help our community grow stronger.

The first ECF fund in 1995 was for \$5,000 from Loretta Langley. The committee decided to award ten \$500 unrestricted "surprise" grants to mark the 25th+1 anniversary. Names of organizations with ECF funds were put in a hat, ten were drawn out and the following organizations were surprised with balloons, a big cookie and a check!

- Chase County Children's Fund
- East 9th Ave Park Fund
- Emporia Area Habitat for Humanity Fund
- Emporia Arts Council Fund
- Emporia Granada Theatre Alliance Fund
- Hetlinger Developmental Services Fund
- Main Street Mommas Fund
- NLC Youth Association Fund
- Olpe Veterans Memorial Fund
- Wade Barrett Memorial Fund

FINANCIALS 2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2021	Assets	Liabilities/ Fund Balance
ASSETS		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$121,724.26	
Investments	\$41,081,507.43	
Oil Interests	\$6,000.00	
Refundable Rental Deposit	\$700.00	
Prepaid Expense	\$971.61	
LIABILITIES		
Deferred Revenue		\$1,000.00
Payroll Taxes Payable		\$3,852.06
Pass Through Payable		\$4,652.00
Fund Balances		\$41,151,399.24
Total Assets/Liabilities	\$41,160,903.30	\$41,160,903.30

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

for Year ending December 31, 2021

REVENUES	
Contributions	\$4,147,753.89
Interfund Contributions	\$671,802.92
Pooled Income	\$4,615,702.91
Other Income	\$10,993.84
Fee Income	\$429,840.45
Total Revenue	\$9,876,094.01
EXPENSES	
Grant & Program Expenses	\$3,231,584.70
Scholarships	\$178,473.35
Other Fund Movements	\$671,802.92
Management & General Expenses	\$848,462.02
Total Expenses including Grants	\$4,930,322.99
Net Assets Beginning of Year	\$36,216,708.00
Net Assets End of 2021 Year	\$41,160,903.30
Increase/Decrease in Net Assets	\$4,944,195.30



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