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Upcoming Deadlines

KLINKACEK COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT GRANTS DUE MARCH 1

The Arthur Klinkacek Community Enrichment Fund's grant cycle is triannual with deadlines of **March 1, July 1 and November 1** (until further notice). To view guidelines, pre-apply, or find more information, please visit www.kearneyfoundation.org/klinkacek. (Don't forget to allow time for your pre-application submittal and approval which are required before the link to the application is given.)

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS OPEN

The Kearney Area Community Foundation manages 66 scholarship funds. With scholarships available to those enrolled in a technical college, community college and/or university, there's sure to be a scholarship fit for you! Please visit www.kearneyfoundation.org/scholarships to view local scholarships.

BUILDING FOR TOMORROW (BFT) GRANTS DUE AUGUST 1

The BFT grant typically funds projects or programs in the Kearney area and surrounding communities. Grants are made to nonprofit, federally tax-exempt 501(c)(3) qualified organizations, or organizations delivering a project or program which have a fiscal relationship with a qualified charity.

Applications are accepted on a biannual basis with the deadlines of August 1, 2022 and February 1, 2023. Organizations are encouraged to read the grants guidelines by visiting www.kearneyfoundation.org/building-for-tomorrow to determine if their organization qualifies.

If you have any questions, please call (308) 237-3114 or email the Kearney Area Community Foundation at kacf@kearneyfoundation.org.

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“connecting people who care with causes that matter”

Record-Breaking Give Where You Live

Donors Give Joy

For nine years, community members in the Kearney area have given joy to local nonprofits. This year was no different – the overwhelming turnout of donors and funds raised for 185 organizations showed just that. Our community came together for the most generous time of year and The Joy of Giving was apparent to donors and nonprofits.

- The community raised \$1,437,720 this year, up 8.46% from the \$1,325,551 we raised last year!
- Individual donations were 6,733 in 2021, compared to 6,440 in 2020. (This is a 4.55% increase!)
- 185 local organizations and causes participated this year, compared to 177 in 2020. (Another record breaker – a 4.52% increase!)

Since Give Where You Live was launched in 2013, together we have raised more than \$8,005,395 for our community!

Thank you, Kearney area donors, for “giving where you live”– this community is amazing! On behalf of the participating local nonprofits, we thank you for your hard work and dedication.

Together, we all do amazing things for this community! For more information, visit www.givewhereyoulive.net

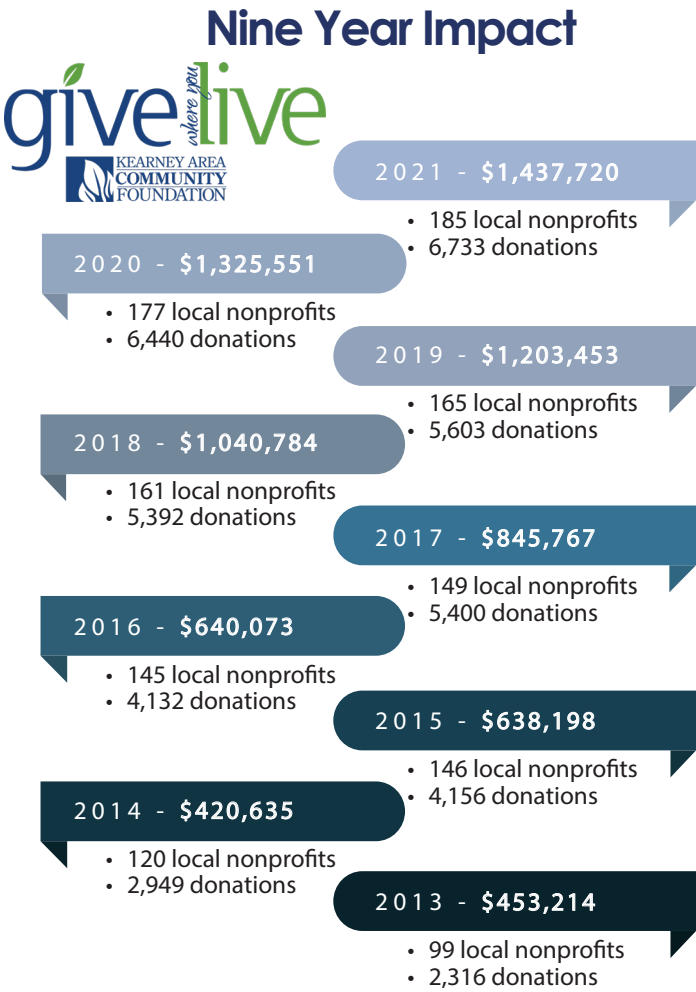
Top Two Participating Nonprofits

PLEASANTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.....\$60,558

Provides the most highly trained, best equipped force possible to protect life and property.

KEARNEY AREA ANIMAL SHELTER.....\$50,964

Provides shelter for lost and homeless animals and actively encourages pet population reduction.



Celebrating Stakeholders

“There are those who give with joy, and that joy is their reward.” – Khalil Gibran

Thanks For Your Support

The support that we raise through the Stakeholder campaign improves the quality of life for others. Donations help us operate the Foundation, as well as continue our outreach to the community.

Donors’ financial support also helps us remain innovative! We depend on outside support to bring in technology and other resources to make us more efficient and effective in our community.

Thank you to our 2021 Stakeholders!*

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*As of December 31, 2021

Legacy Society

A Lasting Impact

The Kearney Area Community Foundation established the Legacy Society to encourage those who have included the Foundation in their estate plans, providing a gift for the benefit of their community.

The Foundation could be included in a will, trust, charitable remainder trust, life insurance policy, or any other kind of charitable gift.

Who should join the Legacy Society?

The Legacy Society is for those who want to ensure their dollars are used in the way they intended and want to create a legacy beyond their lifetime. Legacy Society members are those who have already decided in their will or trust to make a gift to the Foundation.

Benefits

Join a society of your peers whose mission is to make a meaningful and positive impact on the residents of our community, now and in the future. Other benefits include:

- Recognition and special event honoring
- Professional staff guidance with your planning
- Personalized giving plan to ensure philanthropy

How Does it Work?

- **Establish:** Include the Kearney Area Community Foundation in your charitable estate planning
- **Notify:** Call the Foundation and speak with President/CEO Judi Sickler
- **Join:** Become part of an elite society aimed at making an impact in our community

For more information, please call 308-237-3114 and speak with President/CEO Judi Sickler.

Thank You Legacy Society Members!

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Michael Brimlow
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*As of January 31, 2022

Estate Planning

A Word From A Financial Planner

If Money Doesn’t Make You Happy, Then You Probably Aren’t Spending It Right

Everyone has heard the expression “Money Can’t Buy Happiness”. Turns out that’s not true.

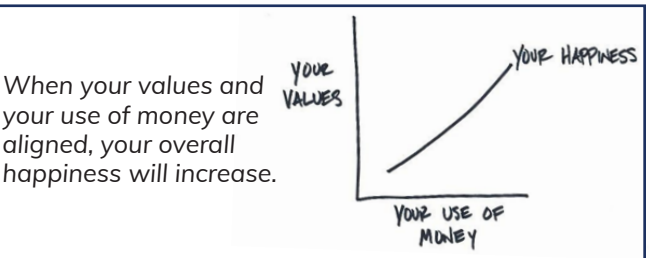
There is scientific research that explains how money can buy happiness. My favorite book on the subject is called Happy Money: The Science of Happier Spending by authors Elizabeth Dunn and Michael Norton. The authors provide tactics on how to use your money to maximize lifetime happiness.



Jeremy Armagost, KACF Board Member, Financial Advisor at WealthPlan Partners

There are five main lessons in the book:

1. Buy Experiences, Not Stuff
2. Treat Yourself
3. Buy Time
4. Pay In Advance
5. Invest In Others



Chapter five, “Invest In Others”, demonstrates one of the most powerful ways to increase your happiness. You can invest in others by donating your time or your resources. The reason the Kearney Area Community Foundation exists, is to connect people who care with causes that matter. They are a great resource to help you invest in others.

Writing a check to a charity you feel a connection with is an excellent example of how money can buy happiness.

Did you know there are ways to give more efficiently?

When you give efficiently, there are two main benefits. More money can go to your favorite charity, and you could pay less tax. Some advanced strategies include gifting appreciated securities or property, making a qualified charitable distribution from your IRA, setting up your own Donor Advised Fund and including a tax-savvy charitable giving strategy as part of your estate plan.

If you have questions about advanced giving strategies, contact your qualified tax professional or the Kearney Area Community Foundation staff. They can provide guidance when you are ready to become more intentional with your charitable giving.

*January 1 - December 31, 2021. We sincerely apologize if your name doesn’t appear on this list and should. We have many donors that ask to remain anonymous, but if you would like your name listed, please contact our office so we can indicate your wishes in our records.