

25th
anniversary



IMPACT REPORT
1995 - 2020

A large, high-contrast photograph of a single water droplet falling into a pool of water. The droplet is captured mid-fall, just above the surface, creating a series of concentric ripples that spread outwards. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the spherical shape of the droplet and the texture of the ripples.

"JUST AS RIPPLES SPREAD OUT WHEN A SINGLE PEBBLE IS DROPPED INTO WATER,
THE ACTIONS OF INDIVIDUALS CAN HAVE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS."
- DALAI LAMA



1995 - 2020

Mission

The Kearney Area Community Foundation enhances the quality of life in the Kearney area by promoting the spirit of charitable giving and effectively responding to the community's needs.

Vision

The Kearney Area Community Foundation's vision is to maintain a philanthropic culture to assure that donors and the community are served in an atmosphere of trust and professionalism which will, in turn, allow the Kearney Area Community Foundation to make a meaningful and positive impact on the residents of our community, now and in the future.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT/CEO AND BOARD CHAIR



Judi Sickler
KACF President/CEO

Dear friends,

The “*ripple effect*”. It is a term we use, but have we ever stopped to ponder what it really means?

What has the ripple effect of the Kearney Area Community Foundation been on our little corner of the world these past 25 years?

When you look up it up, the Oxford Languages defines it as “*the continuing and spreading result of an event or action*”.

More than 25 years ago, the simple action of creating a foundation for our community occurred. One donor gave the very first gift and it continued with several other donors giving to the Foundation. One after the other.

“Just as ripples spread out when a single pebble is dropped into water, the actions of individuals can have far-reaching effects.”
– Dalai Lama

Someone threw that first “*single pebble*” and the “*ripples spread out*” throughout our community. For the past 25 years, your Kearney Area Community Foundation has been making an impact where you live! Our commitment to addressing needs in our community is unwavering.

We are in the “for good, for ever” business. We want to do good in our community every day. Not just today, but for all the future days.

The Kearney Area Community Foundation is truly a treasure. The Foundation provides a vehicle for Kearney area citizens to fulfill their philanthropic dreams. The charitable spirit in this community is second to none; the Kearney Area Community Foundation is the product of the generous folks that make up our community.

Twenty-five years of magnificent charity should make every Buffalo County citizen proud. The things we can accomplish together over the next 25 years will serve as an example for every other community about what it means to care about each other. We are humbled with your generosity – investing in us, our mission and in our community. We know when we work side by side, we are stronger together.

Due to the pandemic, we didn't get to have our 25th Anniversary Celebration last year. But we quietly cheered when we hit important milestones and intentionally took time to reflect on the lives touched through our many programs, grants and scholarships. The “*ripple effect*” has had quite an impact on this community.

Our 25th Anniversary is a milestone that allowed us to slow down a bit to reflect on our humble beginnings, to share memories of the relationships we made during the past quarter century and to rededicate ourselves to our mission to improve the quality of life in our community by promoting the spirit of philanthropy and meeting emerging needs.

Foundation work isn't easy work. We take our responsibilities of being good stewards of your gifts very seriously. We work tirelessly to help other nonprofits, we share best practices with others in our field and we make sure we are helping the Kearney area to be an even better place for the next generation.

Keep dropping “*pebbles into water*” and watch for the “*far-reaching effects*”.



Nathan Bruner
KACF Board Chair

Making an Impact for 25 Years

THE KEARNEY AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

In 1996, the board was informed that the Foundation would collapse if income was not acquired for operations. But in just 10 short days, thanks to community donors, \$19,000 was raised for operations and our door stayed open. This skyrocketed the possibilities of the Kearney Area Community Foundation for years to come.

The Kearney Area Community Foundation (KACF) has become an essential asset for our community. Today, we partner with a variety of organizations and individuals, overseeing more than 260 funds. These funds provide scholarships, grants and support a variety of community projects and programs.

By the end of our 25th year, KACF had granted over \$63 million in grants, scholarships and program support and manages over \$31 million in assets. In the future, the Foundation will become “self-sufficient.” At that time, we will no longer seek operating funds, but rather will be able to expend its full energy in serving donors and the community.

The Foundation continues to be the most flexible, vital and the broadest-serving community organization in our area. Our 25+ years of success can be attributed to years of hard-working board members, volunteers, staff and donors in our community.

“KACF makes a difference in our community. From grants to other local nonprofits, to scholarships for high school students who need it the most, to general support and encouragement to fellow organizations and businesses—KACF is a unique and vital piece to the success of the Kearney community.”

Brette Ensz
KACF Board Member



“Over the past 25 years we have been blessed to be able to connect generous donors with fantastic charitable organizations. The results have had an exponential impact on the quality of life in the Kearney area. Kudos to the founders for their vision, the donors for their generosity, and the organizations for their passion.”

Bryan Kuntz
KACF Board Member



“A people without a community are a people without purpose. Kearney Area Community Foundation helps build that purpose.”

Dr. David Wiebe
KACF Board Member



“The KACF’s impact on our community is shown everyday in the initiatives and local nonprofits they support through their leadership and guidance. I have been amazed to watch the growth of the organization and how they bring our community together to make the Kearney Area, vibrant and exciting!”

Vickie Schaepler
KACF Board Member



Today’s Dashboard

15

AFFILIATE FUNDS

115

DESIGNATED FUNDS

31

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

3

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

34

AGENCY FUNDS

59

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

4

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

www.kearneyfoundation.org/current-funds



You Can Support Our Mission

KEARNEY AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Edison Society

BE THE LIGHT

The Edison Society is reserved for those donors that would like to help the Foundation at a higher level. Like the inventor Thomas Edison, we are driven to be innovative, provide a higher quality of life for others and shine light on ideas and solutions that can make a difference today and in the future. We will use innovation, problem-solving and all available resources to “Be the Light” in our community.

We are able to incubate ideas and nurture local dreamers who want to make a difference in our community. We support their efforts to raise funds for their causes by providing oversight and guidance so they can make a bigger impact. When you support the Kearney Area Community Foundation, it truly has a ripple effect by touching many other nonprofits in our community, thus helping your neighbors and friends.

We use the support that we raise through The Edison Society to improve the quality of life for others. We invest your hard earned dollars that you share with us wisely. We are frugal. We are resourceful. And we treat every donated dollar with respect.

Interested in becoming an Edison Society member? Please call us at (308) 237-3114 for more information.

Stakeholder

CREATING BRIGHTER TOMORROWS

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

Donors’ financial support also helps us remain innovative! We depend on outside support to not only keep our lights on, but to help bring in technology and other resources to make us more efficient and effective in our community.

ROBIN AND JUDY MARSHALL

“We have always believed if a person hasn’t made a difference to someone other than themselves, they have missed the true purpose in life. Being able to present this annual contribution is a privilege for us and we are hopeful it will help make a difference.”

ANONYMOUS DONOR

“I began donating anonymously to good causes through the Kearney Area Community Foundation decades ago, when I first brought in \$100 to split several ways. Now, I maintain larger amounts in my donor-advised fund, from which I can authorize donations at any time to causes I regularly support, special fund-raising projects and unexpected needs resulting from natural disasters.”

Legacy Society

PLANNED FUTURE GIVING

A legacy gift is a planned future gift that designates some part of an individual’s estate as a donation to a nonprofit. Legacy gifts enable individuals to create a powerful philanthropic legacy by making a direct impact on the causes important to them. In some cases, legacy giving can be a source of funding from supporters who haven’t had the ability to make a major gift during their lifetime.

Other methods of donating a legacy gift include life insurance policies or other planned giving programs. Interested in learning more? Schedule an appointment to speak with President/CEO Judi Sickler at (308) 237-3114.

Give Where You Live

MAKING AN IMPACT

Nearly nine years and **\$6.5 million** later, the Kearney Area Community Foundation's annual 24-hour giving day continues to provide community-wide support to local nonprofits. In its first year, 2013, the Foundation helped **99 participating organizations** raising **\$453,214** through *Give Where You Live*. In 2020, Give Where You Live broke record numbers with **\$1,325,551 raised for 177 local nonprofits**.

Give Where You Live brings community members together for 24 hours, raising funds for a stronger community! This community-wide effort encourages area nonprofits to build their capacity, find new donors and identify new funding streams.

The Kearney Area Community Foundation created and powers the 24-hour giving day the first Thursday of every December. Together, with generous donors, we have helped different local nonprofits fundraise as well as share their message. This event has made an impact in our community today, and into the future.

G.W. FRANK MUSEUM

"Give Where You Live has been a huge benefit to the G.W. Frank Museum of History and Culture. We've been able to make purchases which allows us to preserve the items in our collections. Funds raised through Give Where You Live literally saved us during COVID-19."

April White
Director



2020 - **\$1,325,551**

- 177 local nonprofits
- 6,440 donations

2018 - **\$1,040,784**

- 161 local nonprofits
- 5,392 donations

2016 - **\$640,073**

- 145 local nonprofits
- 4,132 donations

2014 - **\$420,635**

- 120 local nonprofits
- 2,949 donations

\$6.5 MILLION
Changes Lives
LOCALLY

2019 - **\$1,203,453**

- 165 local nonprofits
- 5,603 donations

2017 - **\$845,767**

- 149 local nonprofits
- 5,400 donations

2015 - **\$638,198**

- 146 local nonprofits
- 4,156 donations

2013 - **\$453,214**

- 99 local nonprofits
- 2,316 donations

KEARNEY AREA ANIMAL SHELTER

"The Kearney Area Animal Shelter was unable to have their Midnight Masquerade in 2020, and so the funds from Give Where You Live definitely helped with funding and allowing us to keep our doors open during this unpredictable time."

Olivia Derr
Executive Director



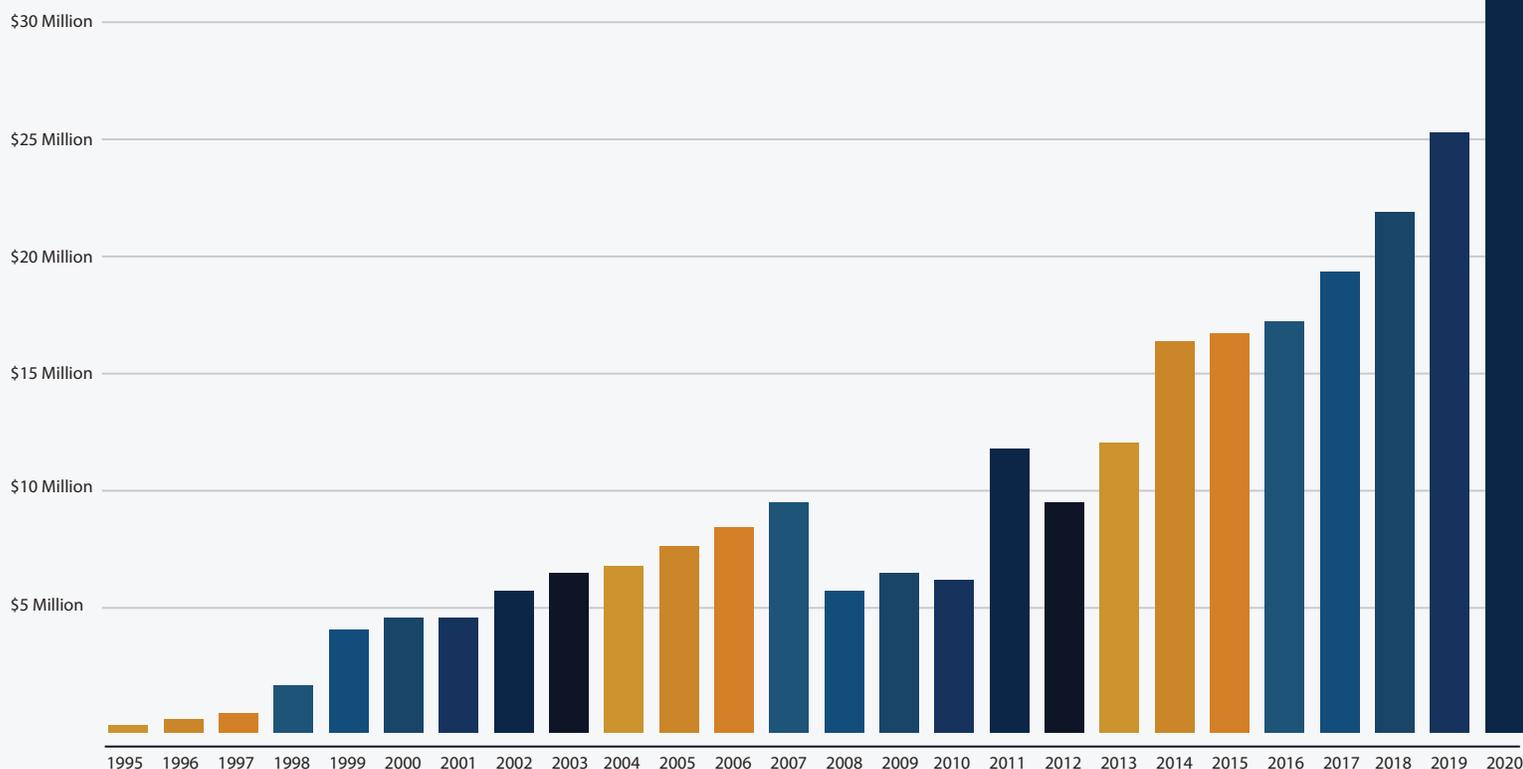
MERRYMAN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

"The Merryman Performing Arts Center is very grateful to the Kearney Area Community Foundation. We would never have had such a successful end-of-year campaign without the assistance of Give Where You Live."

Denise Christensen
Director



Asset Growth



Financials • Fiscal Year 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as of December 31, 2020

ASSETS	
Cash and investments	\$30,678,246
Prepaid expenses	2,443
Property and equipment	12,086
Receivables	77,880
Cash surrender value – life insurance	537,972
Total Assets	\$31,308,627
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Funds held for others	\$6,811,763
Grants and scholarships payable	828,697
Payables	26,551
Capital lease obligation	2,151
Net assets	23,639,465
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$31,308,627

\$0	1995
\$24,508.80	1996
\$155,446.42	1997
\$617,279.46	1998
\$987,806.75	1999
\$1,692,297.18	2000
\$2,167,724.96	2001
\$3,319,780.94	2002
\$3,864,087.57	2003
\$4,523,104.33	2004
\$5,667,333.75	2005
\$6,358,818.95	2006
\$7,276,172.42	2007
\$12,253,630.61	2008
\$14,342,506.91	2009
\$16,837,205.53	2010
\$18,925,835.14	2011
\$26,792,028.49	2012
\$30,196,629.19	2013
\$34,788,535.97	2014
\$41,111,157.99	2015
\$45,544,505.90	2016
\$49,431,920.85	2017
\$53,382,512.24	2018
\$57,858,850.34	2019
\$63,040,486.96	2020

This Consolidated Statement of Financial Position was taken from our audited financial statement, which is prepared by AMGL CPAs and Advisors. Copies of our annual audit and IRS form 990 are available in our office.

2020 Community Impact

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO KACF

\$7.3 million

46%
increase



DISTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY

\$5.4 million

32%
increase



SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

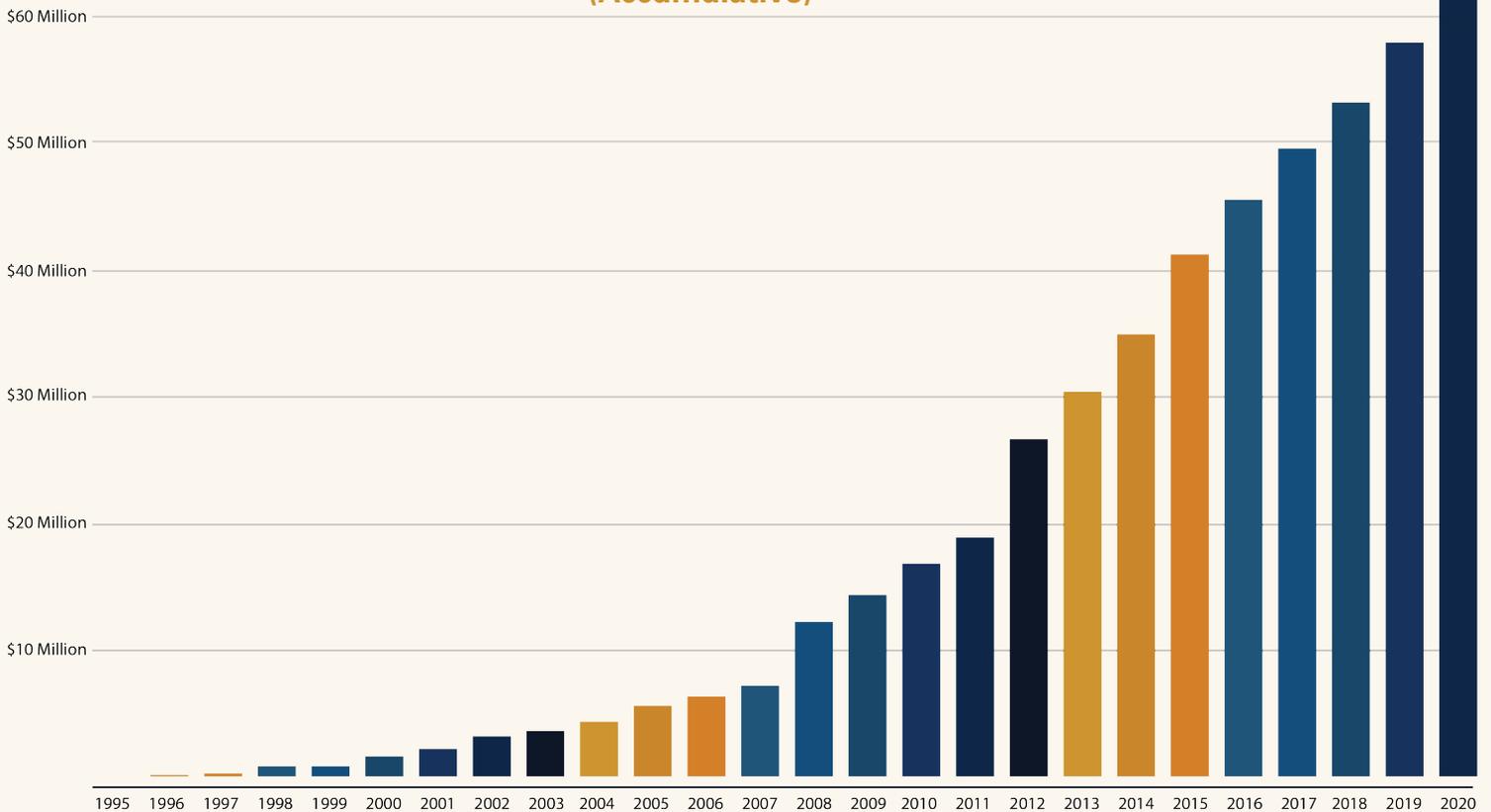
\$140,635

3.1%
increase



\$65,435.23	1995
\$402,090.96	1996
\$710,096.61	1997
\$1,767,505.39	1998
\$4,042,066.85	1999
\$4,727,770.36	2000
\$4,956,167.65	2001
\$5,730,282.03	2002
\$6,676,982.10	2003
\$6,699,922.85	2004
\$7,736,263.19	2005
\$8,459,892.61	2006
\$9,366,910.17	2007
\$5,809,864.41	2008
\$6,415,494.35	2009
\$6,342,043.99	2010
\$11,707,503.77	2011
\$9,598,323.41	2012
\$11,851,796.03	2013
\$16,277,611.39	2014
\$16,342,173.54	2015
\$16,968,409.81	2016
\$18,886,476.58	2017
\$22,413,280.00	2018
\$25,855,548.00	2019
\$31,308,627.00	2020

Grant Awards, Program Support & Scholarships (Accumulative)



Donor Advised Funds

PROVIDING GRANTS AND TAX ADVANTAGES

A donor advised fund is a type of charitable giving fund that is established by a donor with the Kearney Area Community Foundation (KACF) to support causes that the donor cares about. A donor advised fund allows the donor to remain involved and active in charitable giving by retaining “advising privileges” to recommend how KACF should make grants from the fund. This allows donors to be strategic with their tax planning by allowing gifts to the fund to be tax deductible within that same year*. The donor advisors may choose to give grants at any time, that can be made to other nonprofits, not necessarily in the same year.



Ted Baldwin Donor Advised Fund TRANSITION FROM A PRIVATE FOUNDATION

In 1983, 11 years after the passing of his father, Mike Baldwin established a foundation with money left by his mother, Ellen, when she sold her shares of the J.A. Baldwin Mfg. Company. Later changed to Baldwin Filters, the company was started in 1936 by Mike’s grandfather J.A. Baldwin and was later led by his father Theodore (Ted) Baldwin. Thereafter, the Theodore G. Baldwin Foundation was established; it awarded more than **\$5 million** in grants to nonprofits in the area.

In 2019, the Baldwin family decided to dissolve their family’s private foundation, the Theodore G. Baldwin Foundation, and chose the Kearney Area Community Foundation (KACF) to manage its assets. With that, the Ted Baldwin Donor Advised Fund was established, and by creating this donor advised fund, the Baldwins have shifted the management, reporting and oversight to KACF. The Ted Baldwin Donor Advised Fund typically funds projects or programs in the Kearney area and surrounding communities. Grants are made to federally tax-exempt 501(c)(3) qualified organizations, or organizations which have a fiscal relationship with a qualified charity.

MICHAEL AND JO BALDWIN

“Through the years, we had seen the Community Foundation develop many of the same goals and ideals that the Theodore G. Baldwin Foundation had, and we wanted to continue to provide a charitable outlet by streamlining the Theodore G. Baldwin Foundation to that of KACF. We continue to encourage others to set up funds through the Foundation, which allow them to see the benefits of KACF. We promote the Foundation because it’s an easy thing to do.”

Michael Baldwin

“Mike and I are happy to continue the tradition of granting money to nonprofits, schools and government entities. The transition in grant making is easy and KACF helps us accomplish our charitable giving goals.”

Jo Baldwin

ANONYMOUS

“As a couple, we wanted to be wise with our charitable gifting during our lifetime and beyond. We wanted to get ‘the biggest bang for our buck’! We considered the amount of our fund, tax advantages, and how to have a positive impact in our gifting.”

Jacob’s Well Donor Advised Fund

MAKING AN IMPACT INCOGNITO

“Through a donor advised fund, we were able to state areas of gifting that are important to us (charitable wishes of the donor). These areas have included our church, community, scholarships, helping children and the disadvantaged. We are able to respond to other needs that arise.”

“This is a relatively new donor advised fund, so hopefully the impact will be greater and greater as the years go by. Already this fund has helped ‘good things’ to happen.”

“We began our relationship with KACF by setting up an expendable fund. It was best for our planning at the time, but later we transferred to an endowed fund. This has the benefits of long-term investments and greater returns. We established a 5% distribution, with never less than \$50,000 distributed annually,” said the anonymous donors.



Successor advisors are the anonymous donors’ children and grandchildren. The Foundation oversees the investing and distributions in perpetuity.

*Please consult your tax, legal and accounting professionals for advice.

Nonprofits

LEAVING THE NEST

One of the things that we do at the Kearney Area Community Foundation is provide an “umbrella” to help grassroots organizations work underneath us until they get more established. One of our proudest moments is when one of these organizations grows to the point where their leadership is ready to take the next step. For many, this means getting their own 501(c)(3) status from the Internal Revenue Service. Some organizations stay with us forever, but some are ready “to leave the nest” and “fly on their own”. They are ready to be independent, they are strong enough financially to hire their own staff and they are ready to take their nonprofit organization to the next level. Here are a few examples of our success stories over the past 25 years.

THE WORLD THEATRE FOUNDATION

“I can vividly remember sitting down with Judi Sickler and having her explain to me how KACF worked and what they did. At the time, I had no idea how non-profits worked, or how to get one off the ground, and I probably had no business trying to start one. To her credit, Judi recognized we had more passion than common sense and walked us through the process and held our hand. The Kearney Area Community Foundation not only acted as an incubator for our fledgling theater group when we were starting out, but they offered oversight in ways that were invaluable,” said Jon Bokenkamp, Founder.

“They also recognized when we were big enough to go out on our own, nudged us out of the nest, and helped us get our own 501(c)3 status. We probably would have never left had they not nudged us. Since that time, we’ve maintained a fantastic relationship. KACF is plugged into the nonprofit community, not just here in Kearney, but across the state, and they continue to be a great resource for us. I’m still humbled when I look back at the leap of faith they took on us over a decade ago. Today the World Theatre is thriving and crackling with great community energy every weekend — but the place would literally not exist without Judi and everyone at the Kearney Area Community Foundation.”



CRANE RIVER THEATER

“The Kearney Area Community Foundation has helped lay the groundwork for Crane River Theater from day one. Since our inception in 2009, they have supported us with all of the tools and resources necessary to become a successful nonprofit organization. With their leadership and guidance, Crane River Theater has been able to become one of the leading arts organizations in the state. KACF remains dedicated to their partner organizations for a lifetime. They continue to help us build our donor base, promote programming, raise awareness of the arts, secure necessary funding, implement important policies, open doors to valuable partnerships and tackle any difficulties that come our way. Crane River Theater is forever grateful to KACF and their team. We would not be where we are today without them. They truly take dreams and make them become a reality,” said Steve Barth, Executive Director, Crane River Theater.

KEARNEY AREA ANIMAL SHELTER

“When the shelter was still just a vision, the Kearney Area Community Foundation provided guidance and local support for our mission. Initially, it was one of the best things that our small board did! KACF gave us a secure and trusted place for our funds to be directed, as well as lending public credibility to our project. It gave our donors multiple ways of contributing funds and acknowledgment of monies provided.”

The Kearney Area Animal Shelter is currently active in providing pet adoption and pet population control after 15 years. *“We are grateful to have the opportunity to provide a beautiful shelter that our community can be proud of. We provide temporary housing for the many neglected and homeless animals of the area and aim to serve the public with their companion animal needs,”* said Sally Bryson, Co-Founder of the Kearney Area Animal Shelter.



Designated Funds

UNDER OUR UMBRELLA

Designated funds make it easy for donors to support the causes and organizations they care about. Gifts provide more than just funding; donors' favorite organizations benefit from the Kearney Area Community Foundation's (KACF) investment options, stewardship and ability to manage the funds. Because the Foundation handles the details, the nonprofit is freed up to focus on its mission.

"We think of ourselves as an incubator for groups who have big dreams to improve the quality of life in our community,"
—President/CEO Judi Sickler.

KEARNEY WHITEWATER ASSOCIATION

"The Kearney Whitewater Association (KWA) has created waves of magnitude that will soon be realized here in South Central Nebraska! For nearly a decade, KWA has been able to focus on its mission to provide outdoor recreation needs and conservation practices while maintaining financial requirements through the assistance of KACF," said Duane Franzluebbbers, Kearney Whitewater Association, President. A locally known and trusted organization, KACF has provided assurance and validity for KWA. As Kearney Whitewater sought help to secure funding and grants, KACF stepped forward by providing council and guidance throughout the process.

KACF has been a cornerstone in the KWA's desire to build a whitewater park. *"Our grassroots organization has benefited greatly from the support and understanding of which the Kearney Area Community Foundation provides. We wouldn't be building a whitewater park without entrusting the leadership and direction of the Kearney Area Community Foundation,"* said Duane.



MCKENNA'S RAE OF HOPE FOUNDATION

KACF was there to help when grieving family and friends wanted to turn a tragedy into a healing and educational opportunity for the community. McKenna's Rae of Hope Foundation was created to prevent suicide by fostering awareness, resilience and social change. *"Not only has KACF helped with the logistics of the nonprofit world, their legitimacy and integrity has provided larger donors confidence to give funds,"* said Todd Schirmer, Founding Board Member of McKenna's Rae of Hope Foundation.

"The impact the Community Foundation has had on McKenna's Rae of Hope is very much knowledge based, providing information on the 'cans and can not's' of fundraising," said Todd. McKenna's Rae of Hope has grown substantially by networking with other nonprofit organizations in the area. They also have established several scholarships which have had substantial success in providing funds for students pursuing degrees in mental health, as well as students exemplifying a "Rae of Hope" helping people every day.



CENTRAL NEBRASKA VETERANS MEMORIAL

Partnerships with established community organizations provide the tools to help turn concepts into reality. *"The Kearney Area Community Foundation's relationship with the Central Nebraska Veterans Memorial Committee has had a very positive impact on the success of our fundraising. To say a 'very positive impact' is an understatement,"* said Bob Harpst, Chairman of the Central Nebraska Veterans Memorial Committee.

"Having an entity that manages raised funds, has the knowledge concerning fundraising, endowments and a potential donor base to share information on our project with is very beneficial. The Kearney Area Community Foundation made a huge fundraising project much easier."



Effectively Responding to the Community's Needs

WE'RE IN THE IMPACT BUSINESS

Our mission states that the Kearney Area Community Foundation (KACF) is in the business of promoting the spirit of charitable giving and effectively responding to the community's needs. We are helping to enhance parks, promoting education and helping those in need. A community foundation is a vehicle to help people who want to improve their community and to fulfill that desire long beyond their lifetimes. Community foundations are donor-oriented, flexible and involved in the community.



THE EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

On March 13, 2019, a historic chain of events caused devastating flooding that affected most of Nebraska including Buffalo County. Those directly affected by the severe floods received assistance thanks to the Disaster Relief Fund at the Kearney Area Community Foundation (KACF). Local community members and nonprofit leaders were working on the front line of this disaster, helping families in need, such as filling out paperwork and explaining the different types of assistance that were available in our area.

KACF's fundraising efforts had a substantial impact on the Disaster Relief Fund. Most of the flood survivors were in complete shock with the amount of assistance the Kearney Area Disaster Recovery Group could provide them to assist with their recovery. This impact on the community wouldn't have been made possible without the collaboration of the Kearney Area Community Foundation, United Way of the Kearney Area and other local nonprofits.

"Kearney Area Community Foundation did a phenomenal job

fundraising for the 2019 flood survivors," said Brooke Johnson, Disaster Recovery Outreach Coordinator. *"The survivors I worked with felt truly blessed for the grants they were awarded."*

The Kearney Area Disaster Recovery Group granted out more than \$890,000, helping during this local and severe disaster.

THE YANNEY HERITAGE PARK FOUNDATION

Since the inception of the Yanney Heritage Park Foundation (YHPF) in 1997, KACF has been an integral partner in the organization, planning and development of the finest city park in the Midwest. Since the beginning, YHPF partnered with KACF so that they could share staff, finances, tax preparation and audit functions.

"The Kearney Area Community Foundation and Yanney Heritage Park Foundation were created at approximately the same time. From that moment, each organization has flourished. Yanney Heritage Park has developed into what we know it to be today and in large part due to the guidance, expertise, and professional services provided by the Community Foundation. We would not have been as successful as we have been without their guidance and expertise," said Tom Tye, YHPF Emeriti Board Member. *"They are the best!"*

The YHPF endowment will remain at KACF in perpetuity to help cover some of the costs of repairs and maintenance.

Yanney Heritage Park Foundation



An Accredited Foundation

NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR U.S. COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

The National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations were adopted in 2000 by the Council on Foundations and is an accreditation program created by community foundations for community foundations. For twenty years, the idea of community foundations self-regulating their activities has been an important topic in the philanthropic community. The accreditation is peer-driven, voluntary and self-regulated.

The Kearney Area Community Foundation (KACF) has been accredited with the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations – the highest standard for philanthropic excellence.

Our staff worked side by side with board member, Stan Dart, in the completion of the National Standards Accreditation. KACF works to support causes our community believes in, by creating scholarships, encouraging youth leadership, supporting arts and culture, improving community health, building and enhancing parks and providing other charitable needs.

To receive accreditation with National Standards, the Kearney Area Community Foundation submitted their policies and procedures to a rigorous review of 26 National Standards in key areas of community foundation operations, including mission, structure, resource development, stewardship, grantmaking and donor relations.

Our accreditation provides assurance that we have sound policies and practices in place. In short, it means we meet the highest standards for community foundations.



Board member Stan Dart holds the Community Foundation Accreditation seal.

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Planning for one year? Grow rice. Planning for twenty years? Grow a tree. Planning for eternity? Grow people. That's the purpose of the Kearney Area Community Foundation. It's not a twenty-year or even fifty-year proposition. It's doing good forever.

EVERY GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

The Kearney Area Community Foundation is your one-stop-shop for all your charitable giving needs. From gifts of grain, stock, IRAs, real estate or simply writing a check, the Foundation is here with several different ways to give which help you make an impact on our community.

No matter the size, gifts that come through the Kearney Area Community Foundation make a difference. From health, education, recreation or the arts, find what's important to you and your family and make a difference today.

With a wide-variety of funds, there's sure to be a charitable cause you can learn more about and support. Call our office to discuss ways you can make an impact in your community at **(308) 237-3114**.

For a complete list of current KACF funds, please visit our website at www.kearneyfoundation.org/current-funds.