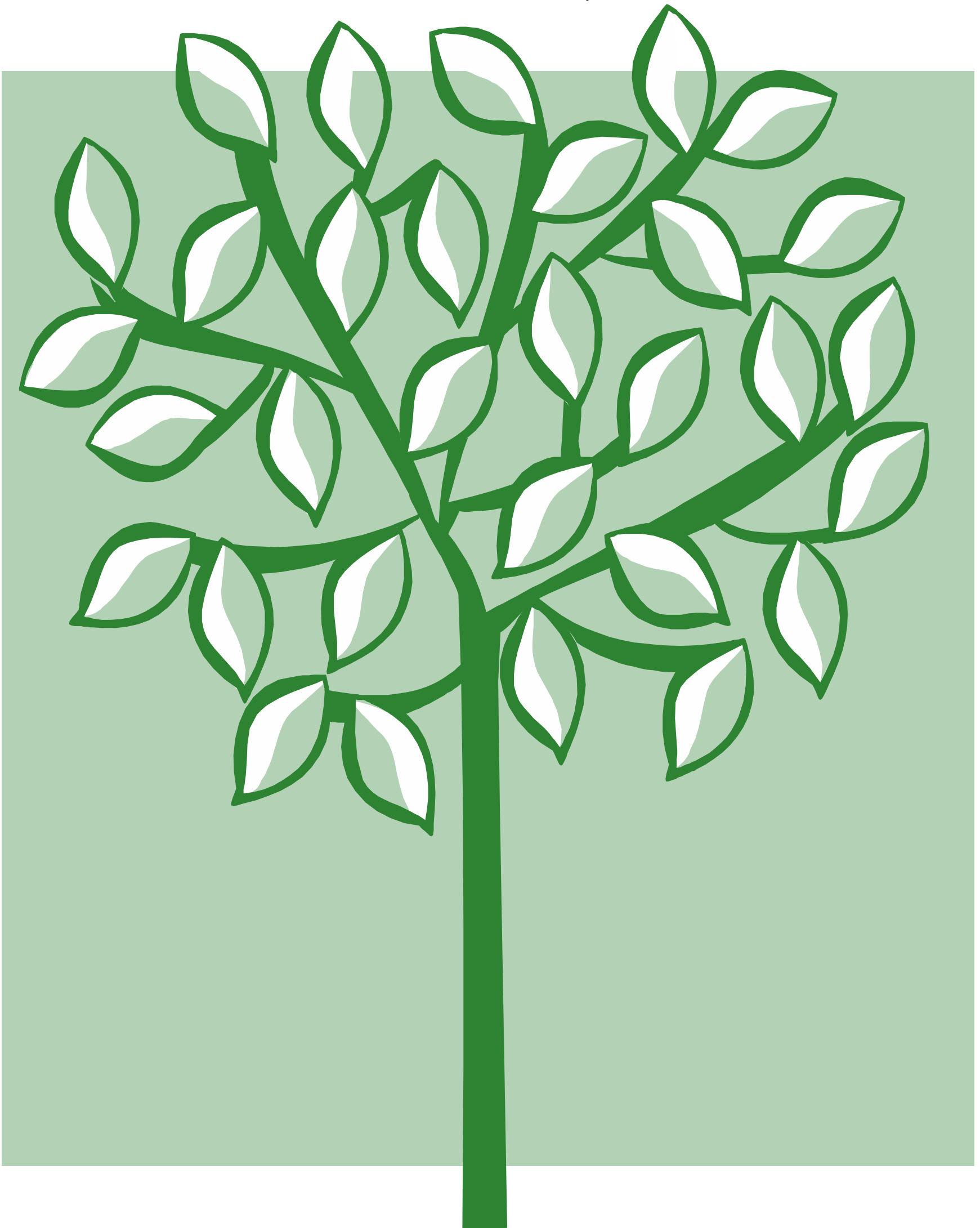
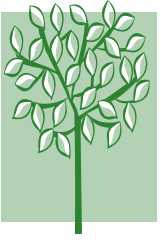


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2008 Annual Report*



*The true meaning of life is to plant trees under
whose shade you do not expect to sit.*

- Nelson Henderson



Benefits of Giving Through the Foundation

FLEXIBILITY AND SIMPLICITY

It's easy to establish a fund in the Foundation. With guidance from the Foundation, individuals, families, companies and charitable organizations can create a fund that is tailored to their specific needs. Donors who wish to establish their own philanthropic fund can avoid the complexity of setting up a private foundation, yet enjoy similar benefits in grant making with a Donor Advised Fund. Fund minimums do apply when creating a new fund. Gifts of any size are welcome additions to an established fund.

RECOGNITION OR ANONYMITY

Most donors create a permanent legacy by setting up a fund in their name or the name of their family. However, the Foundation will also protect the identity of donors who wish to remain anonymous.

THE POWER OF ENDOWMENT

The foundation offers a variety of giving options, both endowed and nonendowed. However, it is the power of the endowed fund that sets community foundations apart. The Foundation offers the opportunity to benefit the community forever. Endowed funds are invested and earnings are used to make grants addressing community concerns. These funds are a permanent source of community capital—helping to meet important community needs both today and in the future.

COST-EFFECTIVE GIVING OPTIONS

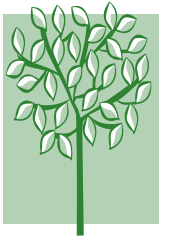
There is no cost to set up a fund. With annual board approval, an annual administrative contribution is assessed from each fund. The foundation manages a pooled investment fund under the guidance of the GSCF Finance Committee. By pooling funds, the Foundation is able to provide donors the advantage of diversified investments and economies of scale in investments and fees. Donors who establish funds of \$25,000 or more may request an outside fund manager.

TAX BENEFITS

Our status as a public charity ensures that contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible to the highest extent allowed by the Internal Revenue Code.

RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP

A 9-member volunteer board of directors governs the Foundation. Donors can donate to and through the Foundation with confidence because of the affiliation with the Greater Salina Community Foundation. The Greater Salina Community Foundation was one of the first community foundations in the state and even the country to be recognized by the Council on Foundations for meeting stringent national standards. In addition, the Foundation is annually audited by an independent firm. Tax returns and public disclosure of grants provided confidence as to the proper use of Foundation funds.



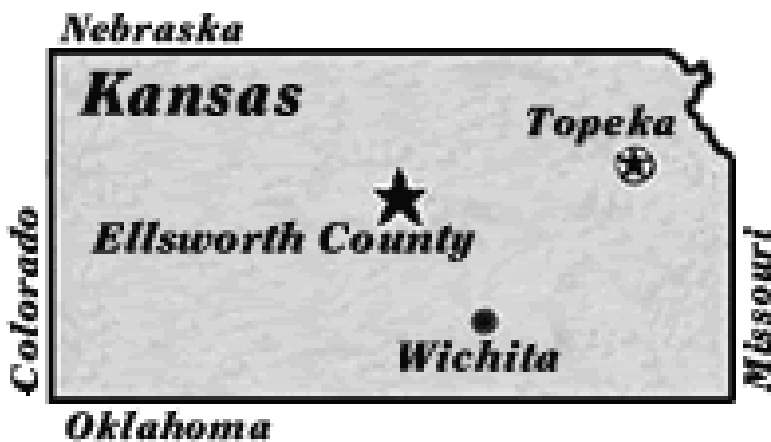
Grants for 2008

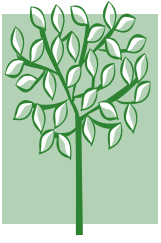
Smoky Hills Community Fund

Smoky Hills Community Fund grants are awarded once a year through a competitive application process. Funding for these grants comes from the generosity of donors who contribute to the Foundation's unrestricted grant fund.

\$6,665.00

- \$665 *Ellsworth County Council on Aging*—To help with public transportation and keep bus system operational.
- \$500 *Ellsworth Golf Course*—To create a junior golf program for students ages 6 to 14.
- \$1,500 *Kanopolis American Legion*—To renovate the facility and purchase needed tables, chairs, display cases and grave markers.
- \$500 *Ellsworth Historical Society*—To help with furnace replacement.
- \$2,000 *Lang Memorial Library*—To help upgrade computer systems and purchase new computer, desk, chair.
- \$1,000 *Immanuel Lutheran Church*—To assist with neighborhood playground and basketball court project.
- \$500 *Ellsworth County Senior Center*—To help with operating expenses to continue providing service to local seniors.





Current Funds

*denotes new fund

Donor Advised Funds

Donor Advised Funds give donors all the benefits of their own private foundations without the hassle and with better tax advantages. Once the fund is established, donors suggest grants to support their favorite charities or charitable programs. The Foundation handles investment, administration and correspondence.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

*Helen & Will Shanelec Fund
Sundin Trust
USD 327 Student Benefit
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In FY 2007-08 the Foundation awarded \$2,500 in grants from donor advised funds to the following charities:

USD 327
USD 328

Field of Interest Funds

Field of Interest Funds provide annual grant support to an area of interest or geographic area without designating specific charities. Donors can create funds for a specific aspect of grant making, such as the arts, early education, youth sports or music.

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Joyce Nagel Health, Education & Recreation

In FY 2007-08 the Foundation awarded \$3,000 in grants from field of interest funds to the following charities:

Ellsworth County Extension Services
National Drivers Hall of Fame

Organization Funds

The Foundation works with nonprofit charitable organizations which are making a difference in our community through direct service to our neighbors. Charitable organizations can establish endowments that provide an income stream to further their charitable work, or that can continue to grow for future needs. Contributions to these funds come from donors and from the organizations themselves.

ORGANIZATION FUNDS

J.H. Robbins Memorial Library



Current Funds

*denotes new fund

Scholarship Funds

Scholarship Funds allow donors to provide educational opportunities for graduates of certain schools, for specific fields of study, or for study at particular institutions. With guidance from the Foundation, donors can outline eligibility and selection requirements.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Geraldine L. Anschutz Memorial

Jack R. Janousek Memorial

Eleanor Hunter

In FY 2007-08 the Foundation awarded \$7,700 in scholarships:

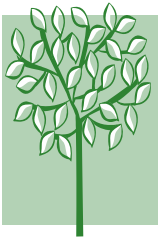
Kandice Bowie, Kansas State University
Brooke Major, Fort Hays State University
Ethan Borell, ITT Technical Institute
Curtis Dolezal, Kansas State University
Sophia Ford, Kansas State University
Joshua Helvey, Salina Area Technical School
Jacob Koch, Dodge City Community College
Garry Miller, Salina Area Technical School
Jeremy Pasek, Dodge City Community College
Aubrey Ptacek, Kansas State University
Andrea Rader, Kansas State University
Kyle Steinle, Kansas State University
Kylie Stoppel, Cloud County Community College
Aaron Watts, Dodge City Community College
Mitch Wolf, Cloud County Community College

Funds for the Future

With the help of the Foundation, donors use a variety of estate planning methods to establish a fund which will leave a legacy that will survive them after they are gone. If you have named the Foundation in your estate, please let us know so that we can recognize your future generosity. If you are interested in learning more about how the Foundation might fit into your overall estate plan, please give us a call.

Velma Westerman

Total Grants Awarded since July 1, 2007: \$19,865.00



Statement of Financial Position

Year Ended June 30, 2008

ASSETS

Pooled Investment-Vanguard	309,825.75
Segregated Investment Accounts	<u>246,477.38</u>
Total Assets	556,303.13

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	<u>0.00</u>
Total Liabilities	0.00

FUND BALANCES

Fund Balance—Principal	469,070.40
Fund Balance—Income	<u>87,232.73</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>556,303.13</u>
Total Liabilities and Funds	556,303.13

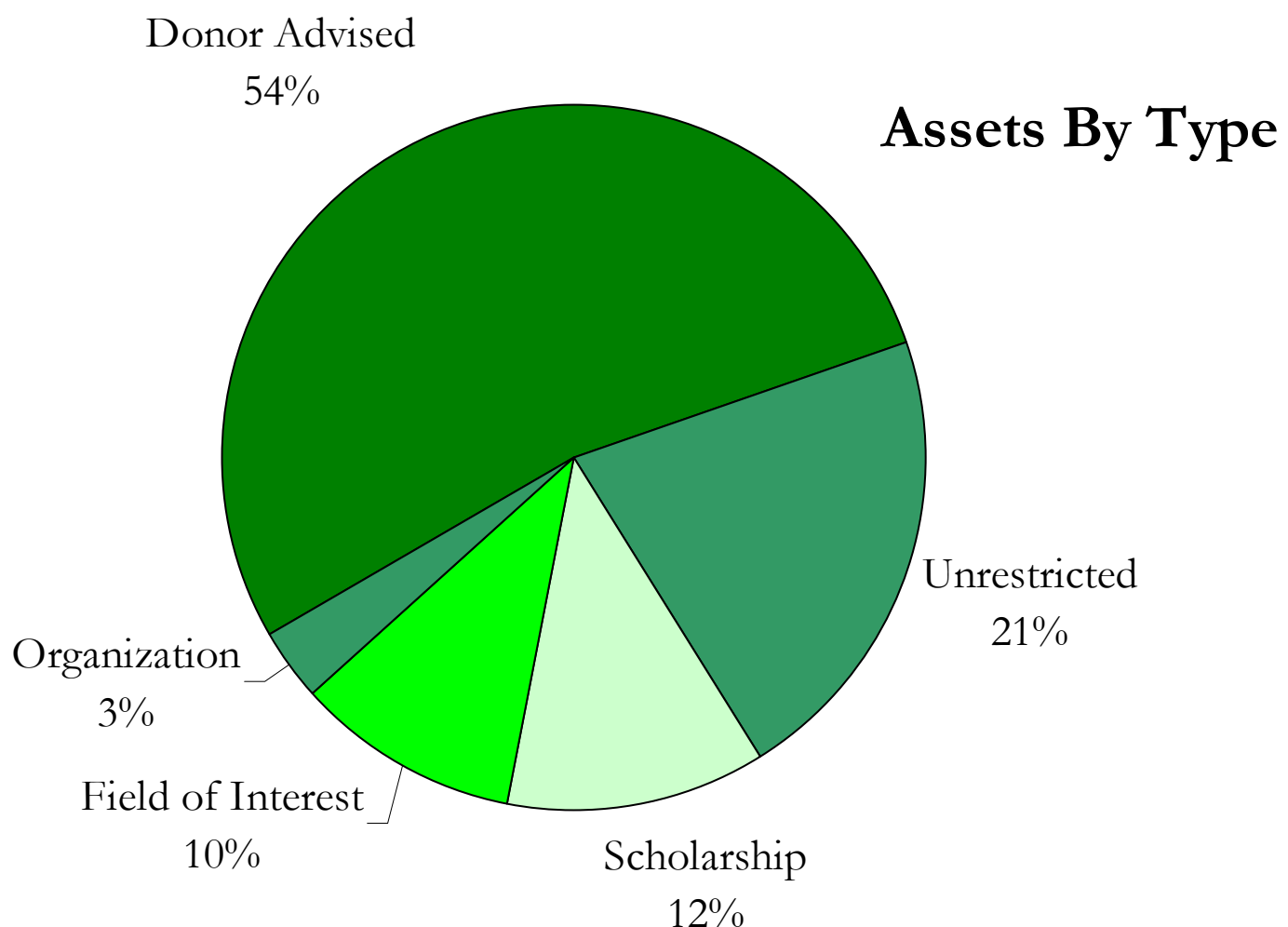
Statement of Activities

REVENUES

Gifts & Bequests—Principal	20,200.00
Dividend Income	20,659.04
Realized Gain on Investments	23,337.35
Unrealized Gain on Investments	<u>(81,281.73)</u>
Total Revenues	(17,085.34)

EXPENSES

Grants Authorized	16,515.00
Foundation Admin Contribution	<u>6,596.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>23,111.00</u>
Net Activity	(40,196.34)





Founding Donors

The Founding Donors are these individuals, businesses and families who believed in the mission and took the initiative to contribute to the Foundation. The Founding Donors enabled the Foundation to become a reality. Let their generosity be the seed to grow the Foundation into a field of unlimited dreams.

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Grant
Mr. & Mrs. Donald J. Hunter
Doc & Lu Jarus
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Kozisek
Jon & Patricia Mollhagen
Citizens State Bank & Trust Co.
H & B Communications, Inc.
Kirkham, Michael & Associates, Inc.
Stumps Charitable Trust
Sundin Trust

Our Donors

Thanks to the following donors to the Foundation in FY2007-08. Each gift, no matter the size, contributes to our mission of increasing philanthropy and improving the quality of life in the Ellsworth County area.

Richard & Heather Barta
Ellsworth County Medical Center
First United Methodist Church
Terry & Agnes Kepka
Alice J. Macek
Michael & Diane O'Connor
J.H. Robbins Memorial Library
Frank & Judy Toman

Total Gifts Received since July 1, 2007: \$20,200.00



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Don Kosizek

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Lloyd Sprick

Our Mission

The mission of the Smoky Hills Charitable Foundation is to enhance quality of life, both today and in the future, by:

Enabling donors to fulfill their charitable desires

Building a permanent endowment

Facilitating prudent management and care of funds

Meeting needs through grants, awards, and scholarships