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Annual Report



Greater Manhattan  
Community Foundation

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## *Message from the* **President & CEO**

What a year! As I reflect on 2023, my 11th year as President & CEO, I continue to be humbled and grateful for the generosity of the communities we serve. When the audited numbers are finalized, the assets of the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation will reflect an amazing amount of support for the numerous charities that we help and champion. I'd like to break these numbers further down for all to view.

In 2010, GMCF received a generous contribution from Steel & Pipe Supply's closely held stock, totaling more than \$21 million. That gift more than doubled the \$10+ million in assets of the Foundation at that time. Thanks to the continued leadership of the SPS Companies, those assets have exceeded \$167 million. These stock assets, combined with the \$172+ million in other assets from our 1,600+ funds of the Foundation, bring us to a combined total of \$339 million in our unaudited report as of December 31, 2023. It is important to note that \$55.3 million of these assets are under the designation of our 19 partner communities in Northeast Kansas.

Some feel that partnering with GMCF requires funds to be endowed, which is far from the truth. It is up to the fund representative(s) to determine if funds are endowed or expendable. Endowed funds in 2023 totaled \$30.8 million for GMCF and \$9.3 million for our Partners.

To further describe the impact of our more than 1,600+ fundholders, GMCF has distributed more than \$75 million in grants, more than \$2 million in scholarships, and added 17 additional partner communities in the past ten years. This has all been accomplished because of the 14 full and part-time employees of GMCF.

GMCF has worked closely with the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce to tackle issues of most importance as well as the City in support of art and youth activities. In 2023, our community leaders discussed childcare, housing, economic development, workforce development, and quality of life. Those discussions resulted in the submission and receipt of \$5.6M in state and federal-funded grants to build the eventual Flint Hills Community Accelerator/Child Care Business Accelerator with the expected 3rd quarter dedication in 2025.

When I joined GMCF in 2013, I aimed to make Manhattan known for its philanthropy. After GMCF's growth and rise to the largest community foundation in Kansas, it is time to evaluate the next phase of GMCF's impact.

In summary, 2023 was a year of new horizons. We continue to challenge our board, trustees, and staff to meet the emerging needs around us. We continue to strengthen our relationships with fundholders and prioritize partnerships. We continue to build relationships with donors and community needs. We thank everyone for supporting GMCF and extend blessings to all.

***Vern Henricks, President/CEO***

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## *Message from the* **Board Chair**

Happy 25th Anniversary to the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation! It has been a privilege to serve as The GMCF Board Chair this past year. While we have taken time to reflect and marvel at the growth over the past 25 years, we have also taken advantage of new opportunities in our community. If you are new to the area or just learning about GMCF, we encourage you to listen to our Philanthropy Today Podcast series. You will hear from past chairs and learn how far we have come.



Looking to the future, we have also added three new affiliates to increase that total to 20 partners. In doing so, we welcomed Rural Riley County, Greater Perry Area, and the Alma Community Foundation to the GMCF Family.

Drumroll... we are now the largest Community Foundation in Kansas, with over 350 million dollars in assets! More important are the over 2 million dollars in grants and scholarships given back to the community; what an impact!

The mission at GMCF holds strong. We have continued to build relationships between donors and community needs. At GMCF, we take great pride in supporting our local non-profit organizations. That will always be our number one focus.

However, our board is aware that the community needs in Manhattan are changing. Due to the growth and success of GMCF, we have been asked to become more involved with solving local issues. These requests are not taken lightly, and we are committed to developing a strategic plan to provide structure as these opportunities arise.

We have committed to two initiatives this year: The Manhattan Parks and Recreation Foundation, which allows our donors to enhance those programs directly, and The Flint Hills Community Accelerator (FHCA). While the FHCA began as a childcare initiative, it has grown in scope. The building will now house the Flint Hills Childcare Business Accelerator, MATC (Education), Heartland Works (Workforce), and the Manhattan Free Clinic (Health). You will continue to be updated about the FHCA as we break ground on a building utilizing over six million grant dollars.

I appreciate and thank everyone involved with GMCF this past year. Whether you started a new fund, donated through an existing fund, participated in our Grow Green Match Day, or volunteered your time by serving on one of our many committees, I thank you. I also want to thank the staff, who works tirelessly, the board, who has been most supportive, and the Trustees for your input and service. It certainly takes a village!

Blessings,

***Kim McAtee, Board Chair***

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# Grow Green Match Day

[GrowGreenManhattan.com](http://GrowGreenManhattan.com)

**Total Dollars  
Donated**  
\$1,552,276

**Matching  
Gift Total**  
\$476,808

**Total  
Gifts**  
6330

**Unique  
Donors**  
1730

**Participating  
Nonprofits**  
95

In 2023, GMCF hosted the 11th Annual Grow Green Match Day, raising \$2,029,084. On this day, eligible gifts made through GMCF receive a 50% match to support local nonprofit organizations. Each organization can receive up to \$10,000 in matching dollars. All gifts made to the organization on Grow Green Match Day are deposited into the organization's spendable fund to be used for immediate needs. The match is deposited into the organization's endowed fund, ensuring a sustainable funding source over the long term.

Thank you to Phil Howe and the Howe Family Foundation for the matching funds for this event. Since 2013, Phil has provided over \$2.6 million in matching funds for Grow Green Match Day.

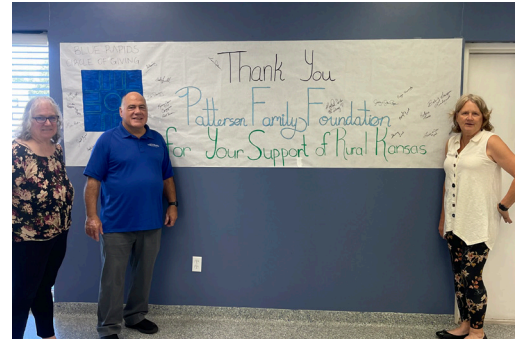


# GMCF Partners Match Days

*Mcfks.org/Partners*

The GMCF Partner program evolved in response to the growing interest of communities and foundations wanting to collaborate with the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation. A GMCF Partner maintains its own board and decision-making authority for funds, while GMCF handles financial responsibilities. In 2023, GMCF added three new partners: Rural Riley County, Greater Perry Area, and Alma. The program now hosts twenty partners across Kansas.

Also, in 2023, GMCF assisted 14 partners in facilitating match days to support their local communities. These matching events were amplified through the support of the Patterson Family Foundation's Rural Community Foundation Match grant program. Through this program, rural community foundations could receive up to \$70,000 in matching grant funds for their match event. Through the program, GMCF partners received \$967,446 from the grant program and raised \$6,996,532 for local Kansas communities.



## 2023 Partner Match Days

Community Foundation	Match Day	Total
Armed Forces Community Foundation	Stand-To	\$114,892
Atchison Area Community Foundation	All Aboard Atchison	\$450,316
Blue Rapids Community Foundation	Circle of Giving	\$168,847
Clay Center Community Improvement Foundation	Gather for Good	\$406,928
Doniphan County Community Foundation	Give Where You Live	\$397,620
Frankfort Community Foundation	Frankfort Gives	\$202,277
Greater Geary Community Foundation	Geary Community	\$614,363
Greater Sabetha Community Foundation	Give to Grow	\$568,212
Hiawatha Community Foundation	Give Back to Move Forward	\$360,305
Jackson County Community Foundation	Thoughtful Giving Day	\$255,406
Marysville Community Foundation	Pony Up Marysville	\$550,729
South Brown County Community Foundation	Grow South Brown	\$169,828
Valley Falls Community Foundation	Give Back to Valley	\$206,038
Wamego Community Foundation	Wamego Match Day	\$501,687

**ALL Partner Match Days Total:**

**\$4,967,448**

*Since the first Match Day in 2013, \$24,386,101 has been raised to benefit nonprofits serving our region*

# *Flint Hills*

## **Community Accelerator**

The Flint Hills Community Accelerator (FHCA) provides a coordinated, comprehensive, and collaborative approach to meeting the needs of the Manhattan community. The FHCA provides space for implementing partners to offer community services in four pillar areas:

- Childcare: Child Care Business Accelerator will provide training for new childcare business owners
- Work: Heartland Works will help accelerate employment placement needs
- Education: Manhattan Area Technical College will provide training and services to support a skilled workforce to meet community job needs, including childcare
- Health: Manhattan Free Clinic will provide healthcare monitoring and services for the underserved and those without health insurance

Specifically, the Child Care Business Accelerator will support and train childcare business owners as they launch new businesses. The FHCA will provide facility operating space for eight childcare programs operating as independent businesses under one roof. Because the City of Manhattan has a high percentage of families that rent homes, getting the support of a landlord to allow the operation of child care as a home-based business can be a barrier to licensing and operations. The FHCA will address barriers to licensing and operations in rental-based homes by providing a state-of-the-art childcare space that allows family childcare businesses to launch with the benefit of support services. The new facility will provide a total of 96 new childcare slots and serve an estimated 1,665 individuals a year:

- 16 infant slots (0-12 months)
- 32 preschool slots (2 ½ - 5 years)
- 32 toddler slots (12 months – 2 ½ years)
- 16 school age slots (6-12 years)

All FHCA programs will accept DCF and Raising Riley subsidies, helping to ensure low-income families in the community are better served. Also, programs that offer evening, overnight, and weekend care will be created to meet the need for child care that aligns with work hours of the service industry, medical staff, and first responders. This recruitment strategy will ensure that childcare is available in the building 24 hours a day, seven days a week (holidays excluded).

Start-up support services will also include: job training to meet childcare licensing requirements, mentoring support from other seasoned childcare business owners, assistance with marketing recruitment to fill enrollment, and access to qualified substitute teaching staff, teacher resources, age-appropriate curriculum, and community volunteers. After the initial 12-month operating agreement period, facility owners/operators will transition childcare business into the community (with support), and another new owner/operator will be recruited to assume their building space.

As of February 2024, the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation has now acquired \$9,052,954.00 in funding for this project: \$3.5 million from the Capital Projects Fund Accelerator, \$2,172,954 million from the Kansas Children's Cabinet Child Care Capacity Accelerator grant program, and \$3,380,000 in locally raised in-kind and cash donations.

## **Manhattan Parks & Recreation Foundation**

GMCF was pleased to assist our community's volunteer leaders in forming the new Manhattan Parks and Recreation Foundation. The purpose of this fund is to support the financial needs of our families with young children to participate in Manhattan Parks and Recreation Department programs for their personal growth and development.

# Community Cares Chest

The Community Cares Chest initiative started with a discussion between the Manhattan Rotary Club and the Overland Park Rotary Club, with a donation of books, which developed into a relationship with Feed the Children. Local partners with GMCF that continue to support and provide a vital resource for our nonprofits include the Manhattan Rotary Club, Konza United Way, University Christian Church, the Lincoln and Dorothy Deihl Fund, and the Leadership Manhattan class, which helped develop the name.



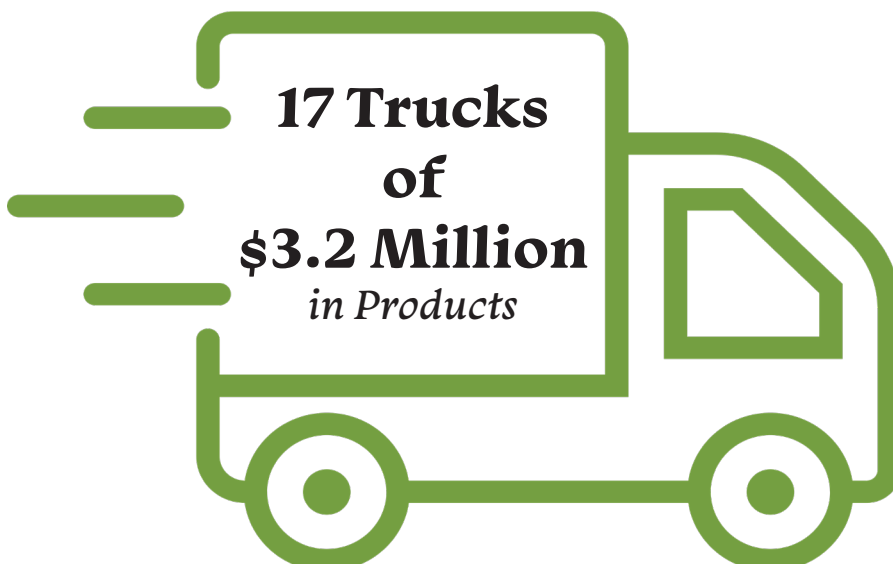
Through this endeavor, we receive free products from various suppliers to distribute to charitable organizations. Products include books, face masks, personal care items, household cleaning items, laundry detergent, clothing, food items, water, and flavored drinks.

Since its inception, the Community Cares Chest program has received seventeen truckloads of items with approximately \$3.2 million in actual retail costs.

**This program has benefitted over a hundred nonprofits and thousands of their clients:**



- Alta Vista Senior Center
- Boys & Girls Club
- Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas
- Cats Cupboard
- Flint Hills Breadbasket
- Flint Hills Volunteer Center
- Fort Riley
- Frankfort Community Foundation
- Geary County Food Pantry
- Habitat for Humanity
- Konza Prairie Community Health Clinic
- Manhattan Senior Center
- Morning Star
- Ogden Friendship House of Hope
- Pawnee Mental Health
- Randolph Seniors
- Riley County Health Department
- Shepherd's Crossing
- The Crisis Center
- Toys for Manhattan
- UFM Community Learning Center
- USD383 & USD475



**Thank you,  
partners and nonprofits,  
for making an  
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## GMCF Investments

The Greater Manhattan Community Foundation is served by The Trust Company of Manhattan as custodian of the GMCF pooled funds and by regulated professional financial advisors that are selected by our fundholders.

GMCF and its financial advisors offer investment options and strategies for various risk tolerance levels for fundholders to choose from that best meets their charitable objectives. When completing the GMCF Fund Agreement, fundholders choose the type and name of the fund, and select the professional advisor and investment preference according to the GMCF Investment Policy. By partnering with GMCF, advisors may continue to manage their clients' assets while meeting their tax and charitable goals. The Trust Company manages the pooled investments at GMCF and provides performance reports that are available on the GMCF website. Emily Dixon, Toby Marks, and Mark Knackendoffel with The Trust Company serve as the primary points of contact for the Foundation

### Professional Financial Advisors

- Amber Bletscher, F4 Wealth Advisors
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- D.C. Hackerott, Edward Jones
- Dave Nelson and Adam Greenwalt, Edward Jones
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The GMCF Investment Committee meets quarterly to assess investment performance compared to established benchmarks, review asset allocations, and address other investment-related matters of the Foundation.

### **Gary Fees, Director of Investment Services**

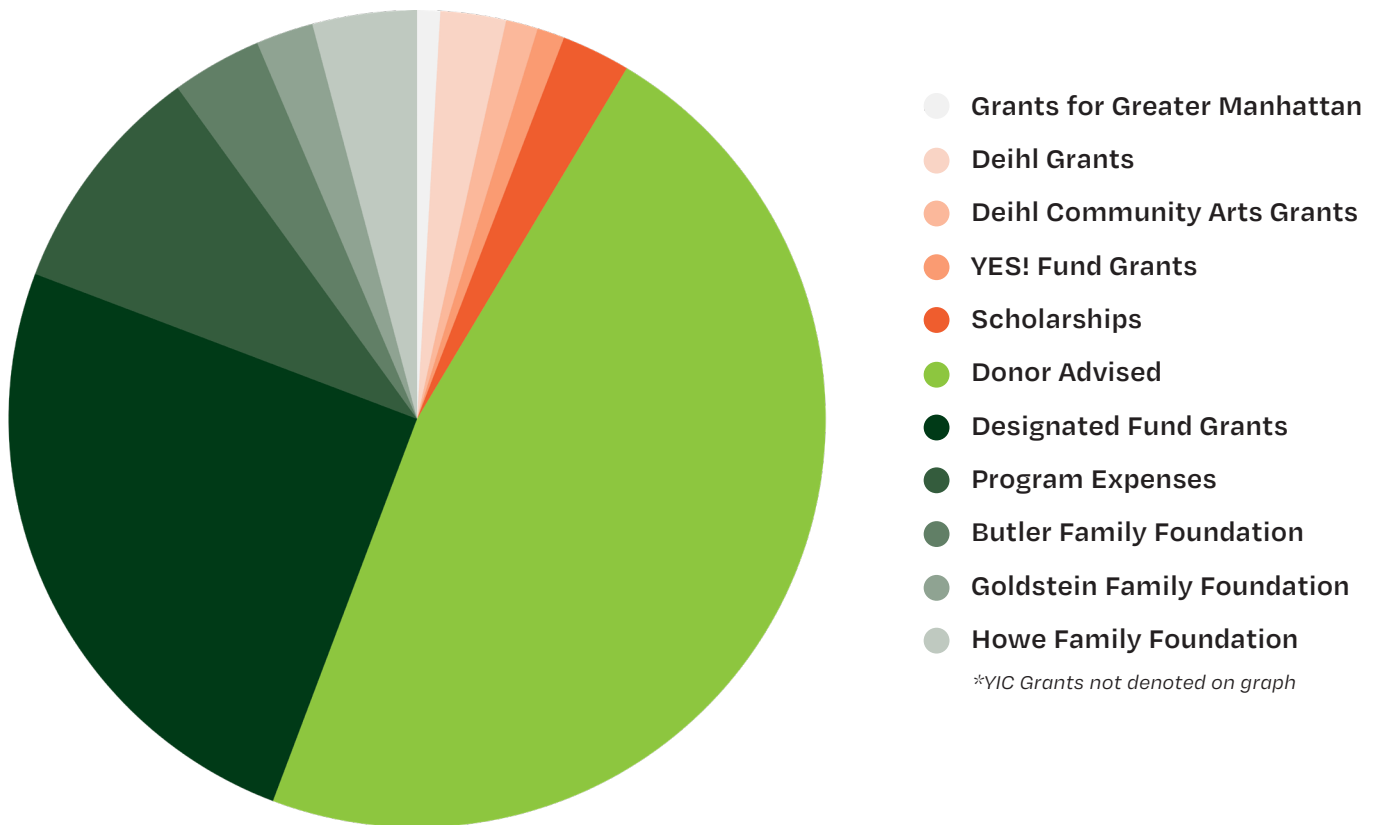
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## 2023 In Review

- Staff Changes: Taylor Veatch, Intern; Aimee Nelson, Director of the Wamego Community Foundation; Stacy Smith, Executive Assistant and Grants Manager; Connie Joy, Greater Sabetha Community Foundation Co-Coordinator
- EOY assets: \$330,414,298; Grants to community: \$24,728,072
- 11th Annual Grow Green Match Day, local gifts of \$1,552,276, matching funds of \$476,808, total funds raised equaled \$2,029,084, 95 funds benefitted
- Match Days - Armed Forces, Atchison Area, Blue Rapids, Clay Center, Doniphan, Frankfort, Greater Geary, Greater Sabetha, Hiawatha, Jackson County, Marysville, South Brown County, Valley Falls, Wamego
- New Affiliates - Rural Riley, Greater Perry Area, Alma - totaling 20 affiliates

*See the full GMCF timeline since 2013 at [mcfks.org](https://mcfks.org)*

# 2023 Grants Dispersed



## Grant Program

Grants for Greater Manhattan  
Deihl Grants  
Deihl Community Arts Grants  
YES! Fund Grants  
YIC Grants  
Scholarships  
Donor Advised  
Designated Fund Grants  
Program Expenses  
Butler Family Foundation  
Goldstein Family Foundation  
Howe Family Foundation

## 2023 Grants Dispersed

\$224,002.00  
\$640,674.00  
\$300,087.16  
\$268,135.00  
\$20,000.00  
\$672,566.80  
\$11,643,358.24  
\$6,212,983.97  
\$2,285,496.66  
\$881,050.00  
\$560,000.00  
\$1,019,808.56

## Total:

**\$24,728,072.39**

# Grants for Greater Manhattan

\$244,002

Arts &  
Culture  
\$10,000

Basic Human Needs  
\$132,500

**Manhattan Arts Center** ..... \$10,000  
**Across the Palette:** Provides a wide range of arts programs offering painting, metal smithing, clay classes, group stringed instrument lessons and youth theatre programs.

**Be Able** ..... \$10,000  
**Collaborative Coaching Case Manager:** Training coaches to help neighbors improve relationships, careers, and everyday lives. Coaches clarify goals and create strategies for overcoming obstacles.

**Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas, Inc.** ..... \$10,000  
**Diaper Program Support:** Program provides diapering supplies to income-qualifying households monthly to facilitate the health and well-being of babies and toddlers.

**Crisis Center, Inc.** ..... \$10,000  
**Riley County Police Response Advocate Program:** Project between RCPD and Crisis Center that assures victims of DV have access to services at the moment of law enforcement intervention.

**Downtown Farmers Market** ..... \$8,000  
**Market Match for SNAP, Senior Nutrition Program, WIC:** Doubles dollars for SNAP and Senior Coupons, provides access to fresh produce for at-risk, i.e. WIC participants and Head Start students.

**Flint Hills Community Clinic** ..... \$10,000  
**Access to Healthcare:** Build website, social media, and print campaign that integrates with social services infrastructure. This will bring fresh information to the general public, target population, referral sources, social services agencies, and the medical community.

**Flint Hills Volunteer Center, Inc.** ..... \$10,000  
**FHVC Suicide Awareness P.A.C.T.:** Providing awareness on suicide, depression, mental health, bullying, and diversity through FHVC Suicide Awareness P.A.C.T. program.

**Good Shepherd Homecare & Hospice** ..... \$10,000  
**Charitable Care:** Subsidizes care provided to seniors, specifically those receiving assistance through the Older Americans Act, Senior Care Act, and Caregiver Grants.

**Housing & Credit Counseling, Inc.** ..... \$8,500  
**HCCI & Powercat Financial Outreach & Partnership Work in Riley County:** Provide marketing and outreach for HUD approved Housing and Financial and Home Buyer Counseling so households earning modest incomes can reduce debt, build credit and be financially self-sufficient.

**Housing MHK Fund** ..... \$8,500  
**Resident Services Program:** Begin a new Public Housing Resident Services Program for families housed in Manhattan Housing Authority properties. This partnership between Housing MHK and Manhattan Housing Authority encourages, promotes, and enhances Resident Services.

**Laundry Love MHK** ..... \$5,000  
**Monthly Events:** Assistance to families that experience a burdensome financial impact when washing laundry each month allowing the reallocation of laundry-specific funds to greater needs.

**Manhattan Emergency Shelter, Inc.** ..... \$5,000  
**Caroline Peine Transitional Shelter:** Provide emergency shelter for homeless adults and children and wrap-around services to help client transition into community in a self-sustaining manner.

**Morning Star, Inc.** ..... \$10,000  
**Transportation Program:** Van driver, who connects one of the most vulnerable populations in Manhattan to needed services, i.e. doctor appointments, pharmacies, free community dinners, etc.

**Pawnee Mental Health, Inc.** ..... \$10,000  
**Discovery Sober Living House:** The House will provide a safe place where men with substance use disorder and mental illness can live and learn to live their lives substance-free and learn skills necessary to find a job and safe and affordable housing that promotes sobriety.

**Riley County Community Corrections** ..... \$5,000  
**Adult Services Mental Health Assistance:** Mental health/psychological and medication evaluations, prescription assistance, drug/alcohol services, and transition housing for clients.

<b>Riley County Health Department .....</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>
<b>Care Line:</b> Provides emergency assistance to patients and their families for needs not covered by insurance or charity care, i.e. prescriptions, medical equipment, and temporary lodging.	
<b>UFM Community Learning Center .....</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>
<b>Project EXCEL:</b> Personal enrichment classes held on the K-State Campus for individuals with mild developmental disabilities or other cognitive disabilities.	
<b>Boys &amp; Girls Club of Manhattan .....</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
<b>Summer Field Trip Program:</b> Summer programming of educational/recreational opportunities to youth, i.e. Wildcat Fitness Mini-Golf, AMC Movies, and bowling at the KSU Union.	
<b>First Tee - Manhattan .....</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>
<b>Manhattan Programs:</b> Scholarships for golf program participation.	
<b>Flint Hills Children's Choir .....</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>2023 Regional Spring Tour:</b> Students participate in multi-state tour and perform with other choirs from Kansas and Nebraska, with a final performance at St. Isidore's in Manhattan.	
<b>Flint Hills Foster Teen Camps .....</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>Camp Scholarships:</b> Project support for a safe, fun, structured experience where foster teens can start healing from their past, find hope, and start realizing they can take their futures back.	
<b>Flint Hills Summer Fun Camp .....</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>General Support:</b> Provides a structured, fun summer experience that promotes academic, communication, and social goals for children grades 1-12 with autism-spectrum disorders.	
<b>Girls on the Run of the Flint Hills .....</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>Scholarship Support:</b> Support for physical activity-based, positive youth development programming among underserved girls in the Manhattan community.	
<b>Infant Toddler Services of Riley County .....</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>LENA Home Program Equipment:</b> Purchase of LENA (Language Environment Analysis) home system technology, vest that records childrens' speech. The information is analyzed by their software and shared adults make increases with interactive talk with their children.	
<b>Kids Bike Recycling .....</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>Recycling and Bike Swaps:</b> Donated bikes are restored and distributed to children to engage in physical activity and transportation to school. Bike Swaps held in Manhattan City Park (March) and Ogden Community Center (August), with 350 bicycles transported for distribution.	
<b>Ogden Elementary School Panther Power Club .....</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
<b>STEAMing Across Kansas:</b> Summer program for fifty low-income Ogden Elementary youth. Students visit Living Water Ranch weekly and take part in programming infused with standards-based learning in a hands-on outdoor classroom.	
<b>No Stone Unturned Foundation, Inc. ....</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>Information Technology and Cyber Risk Management:</b> Partner with IT risk management company to provide upgraded cyber security and perform 24/7 monitoring to ensure illegal infiltration is stopped before the privacy of our patients is compromised.	
<b>Royal Family KIDS of Manhattan .....</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>Summer Camp:</b> Provide support for a camp for abused and neglected children in the foster care system, take part in activities such as swimming, archery, woodworking, crafts, and hiking.	
<b>Riley County EMS .....</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>Safe Kids Riley County:</b> Provides safety car seats for low-income families and proper car seat installation education for all.	
<b>Stormont Vail Foundation .....</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
<b>Care Line-Emergency Assistance for Manhattan Area Families of NIC Babies:</b> Supports needs that are typically not covered by health insurance or charity care. Examples are prescriptions, medical equipment, transportation, meals, and temporary housing.	
<b>Sunflower Children's Collective: Stepping Stones Child Advocacy Center .....</b>	<b>\$3,334</b>
<b>Sustainability:</b> Three full-time staff who are both dual-role family victim advocates and forensic interviewers work with RCPD, Department of Children and Families, foster parents, and the FBI to build connections with our Ft. Riley neighbors.	

<b>Sunflower Children's Collective: Sunflower Bridge Child Exchange/Visitation Center ...</b>	<b>\$3,334</b>
<b>Sustainability:</b> Support the 15-20 volunteers and director at CEVC with an increase in demand for visits and exchanges with a larger room for families and a second room for exchanges.	
<b>Sunflower Children's Collective: Sunflower Court Appointed Special Advocate .....</b>	<b>\$3,334</b>
<b>Sustainability:</b> Support the salary of a full-time director of Sunflower CASA who oversees volunteers, maintains records as an increasing number of children need their services.	
<b>Thrive! Flint Hills Foundation .....</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>Teen Thrive:</b> Work with teens (15-19) from families that struggle financially to learn life skills to set and achieve goals for the best chance at success to break the cycle of generation poverty.	
<b>True Colors Flint Hills .....</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>Direct Client Assistance:</b> Provide funds to provide mental health services to youth ages 12-18 experiencing depression, anxiety, and other severe mental illness at no cost to them.	

*The Grants for Greater Manhattan program is funded by: Fund for Greater Manhattan, Florence Day Fund, Jean Caul Fund for the Community, Don Dodge Fund for Youth and Aviation, Kansas Health Foundation Children's Fund, Francis Von Scoyoc Fund*

## Youth Impacting Community

**\$20,000**

Spring	<b>Flint Hills Summer Fun Camp .....</b>	<b>\$1,250</b>
	Funding to support their summer camp for children with autism	
	<b>Manhattan Area Habitat for Humanity .....</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
	Funding to ensure low-income families receive essential home repairs	
	<b>Riley County Health Services .....</b>	<b>\$1,625</b>
	Funding for medical supplies for those in underserved communities	
	<b>Special Olympics Kansas .....</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>
	Funding for trip to Berlin	
	<b>Sunflower Children's Collective .....</b>	<b>\$2,125</b>
	Funding for organizational activities for children in the foster care system	
Fall	<b>First Tee - Manhattan .....</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
	Golfership awards and financial aid to low-income participants	
	<b>Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters .....</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>
	Funding for one-to-one mentorships	
	<b>Lego Robotics Program .....</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
	Purchase of Lego Robotics Kits for robotics instruction at Bergman Elementary School	
	<b>Manhattan Arts Center .....</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
	Digital Drawing and Teen Open Studio funding	
	<b>Royal Family Kids of Manhattan .....</b>	<b>\$500</b>
	Royal Family KIDS Camp funding	
	<b>Sunflower Children's Collective.....</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
	Funding for activities for foster kids	

*The Youth Impacting Community Program is funded by:  
Howe Family Foundation and the Fund for Greater Manhattan*

*To view a full list of 2023 donors to the  
Greater Manhattan Community Foundation, please visit [mcfks.org](http://mcfks.org)*

# Lincoln & Dorothy Deihl Community Grants

\$640,674

<b>Be Able</b> .....	\$11,500
<b>Technology Update:</b> Purchase 10 refurbished laptops from apple.com for job, SNAP, and housing applications, email accessibility, and case management.	
<b>Boys &amp; Girls Club of Manhattan</b> .....	\$43,407
<b>Deihl Outdoor Recreation Area (DORA):</b> Installation of outdoor basketball court and turf.	
<b>Community Cares Chest</b> .....	\$10,000
<b>Rent &amp; Storage:</b> Provides funding to hold the many truckloads of products to share with families in need throughout the community.	
<b>Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency</b> .....	\$40,000
<b>Access to Community Wellness Resources:</b> Provide aTa bus passes for access to food, physical and mental health resources and day to day essentials.	
<b>GMCF Community Arts Fund</b> .....	\$250,000
Distribution of 2023 Community Art Funds from Deihl Community Grant Fund.	
<b>Konza United Way</b> .....	\$10,000
<b>Dolly Parton Imagination Library:</b> Final distribution of a three-year, \$30,000 grant award.	
<b>Manhattan Arts Center</b> .....	\$7,700
<b>Masterworks Choral:</b> Community choir that includes ~ 70 community members ages 18-85.	
<b>Riley County Health Department</b> .....	\$16,400
<b>Flint Hills Food Recovery Give Back:</b> Food recovery effort for volunteers to go on "food runs" to collect unused food from restaurants and caterers and deliver them to recipient agencies.	
<b>Shepherd's Crossing</b> .....	\$10,000
<b>Prescription Costs:</b> Funds to cover cost of perscriptions and personal medical equipment.	
<b>Wareham Hall Renovation Fund</b> .....	\$166,667
A \$500,000 grant spread over three years to help to cover renovation costs for Wareham Hall.	
<b>YES! Fund (Youth Empowerment for Success)</b> .....	\$75,000
Distribution of 2023 funds for the YES! Fund.	

## Community Arts Grants

\$300,087

<b>4th Street Sculpture</b> .....	\$41,000
<b>512 Poyntz Mural</b> .....	\$12,500
<b>Amanda Arnold Elementary Sculpture</b> .....	\$35,000
<b>Be Able Mural Supplement</b> .....	\$5,000
<b>Douglass Center Sculptures</b> .....	\$78,834
<b>Downtown MHK Public Art Community Engagement</b> .....	\$6,650
<b>Juneteenth Concert</b> .....	\$15,000
<b>Kansas State University Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art</b> .....	\$39,193
<b>Lee Elementary School Mural</b> .....	\$35,000
<b>Manhattan Housing Authority - Pottawatomie Court Art</b> .....	\$8,000
<b>Poster Contest Print Rights</b> .....	\$1,000
<b>Poster Prints</b> .....	\$911
<b>True Colors Flint Hills</b> .....	\$15,000
<b>Zeandale Mural</b> .....	\$7,000

# Supporting Organizations

## Butler Family Foundation

\$881,050

### *Manhattan, Kansas*

Big Lakes Foundation, Solar Panel Project .....	\$162,500
Manhattan Arts Center, Murals and Stipends .....	\$16,200
Meadowlark Hills Foundation, Good Samaritan Fund .....	\$10,000
Other Manhattan Grants .....	\$128,350

### *Minneapolis, Minnesota*

American Swedish Institute, General Support .....	\$60,000
Climate Generation, General Support .....	\$10,000
Tubman, Women's Shelter Domestic Violence Education .....	\$5,000
Other Minneapolis Grants .....	\$150,000

### *Seattle, Washington*

Ballard Food Bank, General Support .....	\$10,000
Climate Solutions .....	\$20,000
Literacy Source, Citizenship Class and Instructor .....	\$30,000
Other Seattle Grants .....	\$180,650

Other Grants .....	\$98,350
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## Goldstein Family Foundation

\$560,000

Child Care Business Accelerator .....	\$100,000
MATC Building HIRE Education Expansion Project .....	\$250,000
Meadowlark Hills Foundation .....	\$50,000
Museum of Art and Light .....	\$50,000
Wareham Hall Renovation Fund .....	\$100,000
YES! Fund Donation .....	\$10,000

## Howe Family Foundation

\$1,019,809

Daniel Keating Foundation .....	\$5,000
Flint Hills Foster Teen Camp .....	\$20,000
Grow Green Match Day Match .....	\$476,809
Museum of Art and Light .....	\$250,000
No Stone Unturned Foundation .....	\$250,000
Special Community Alliance Fund .....	\$3,000
Special Olympics Kansas .....	\$5,000
YES! Fund .....	\$10,000

# YES! Fund

\$268,135

Boys & Girls Club of Manhattan .....	\$79,635
First Tee - Manhattan .....	\$10,000
Flint Hills Volunteer Center .....	\$9,000
Friends of Sunset Zoo .....	\$8,500
Girls on the Run of the Flint Hills .....	\$9,000
Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters serving Riley County .....	\$22,500
Manhattan Arts Center .....	\$10,000
Manhattan Basketball Association .....	\$4,500
Manhattan Marlins .....	\$8,500
Manhattan Ogden Public Schools Foundation .....	\$61,000
Pawnee Mental Health .....	\$6,000
PUMA FC Manhattan .....	\$3,500
The House Cafe .....	\$5,000
True Colors Flint Hills .....	\$5,000
UFM Community Learning Center .....	\$5,000
Wonder Workshop Children's Museum .....	\$21,000

*The YES! Fund is funded by: Russ Briggs/Briggs Auto Group, The Master Teacher, The Deihl Fund, GMCF Goldstein Community Fund, Phil Howe, 1988 Jack Goldstein Charitable Trust, Midge Jones Trust, KS Statebank, Edward & Karen Seaton Foundation, Ward and Brenda Morgan, Roger and Connie Sink, Memorial Hospital Foundation*

## GMCF Podcast Philanthropy Today



## 2023 Financial Summary

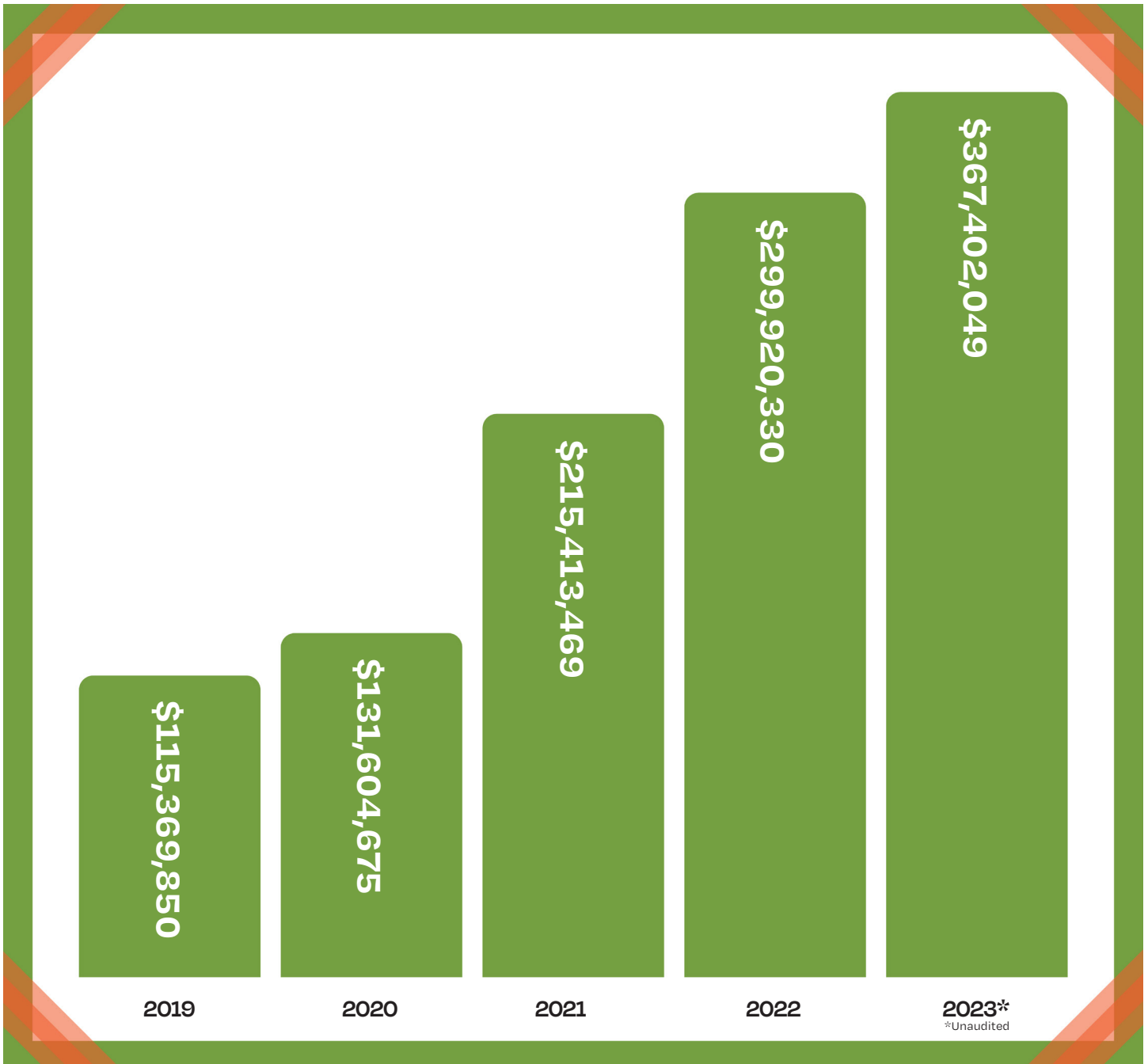
**\$24,728,072.39**

**Total Grants &  
Scholarships**

**\$367,402,049**

**Total Assets  
as of 12/31/2023**

### ASSETS



# Statement of Financial Position

Year ended December 31, 2023\*

\*Unaudited

## ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$2,272,695.58
Other (Prepaid expenses, deposits) .....	1,947.01
Investments .....	165,501,098.20
Privately Held Stock .....	195,826,391.70
Annuities and insurance policies .....	932,180.68
Real Estate (net) .....	427,500.00
Grants receivable - CCA .....	2,421,588.00
Fixed Assets (net) .....	18,648.06

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$367,402,049.23</b>
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## LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

### LIABILITIES

Annuities payable ST .....	\$35,294.03
Annuities payable LT .....	132,872.09
Grants payable - CCA .....	2,421,588.00
Grants payable .....	68,518.00
Payroll Withholding Payable .....	6,953.85
Funds held for others .....	9,738,458.81

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Total Liabilities	\$12,403,684.78
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### NET ASSETS

Fund Balance - Endowed .....	\$58,907,977.53
Fund Balance - Expendable .....	296,090,386.92

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Total Net Assets	\$354,998,364.45
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$367,402,049.23</b>
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# Statement of Activity

Year ended December 31, 2023\*

\*Unaudited

## REVENUES

Gifts and bequests .....	\$43,494,439.91
Investment performance .....	47,543,230.28
Other revenue .....	1,177,823.17

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<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$92,215,493.36</b>
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## EXPENSES

Grants and program expenses .....	\$24,728,072.39
Management and general expenses .....	2,377,014.71

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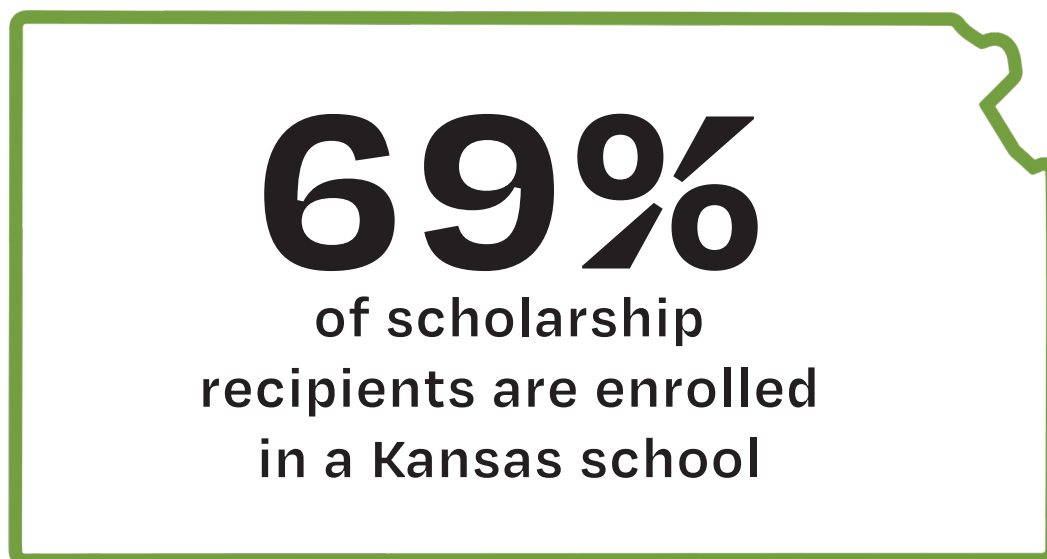
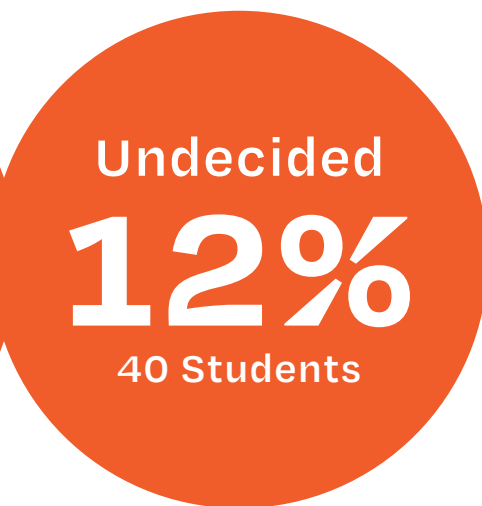
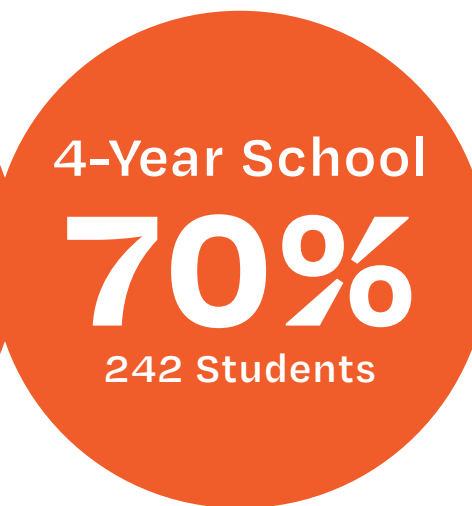
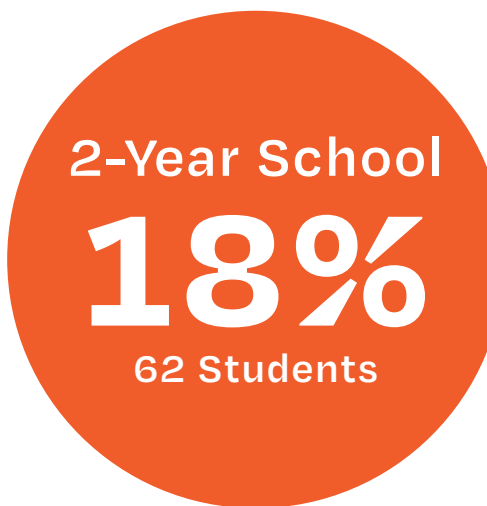
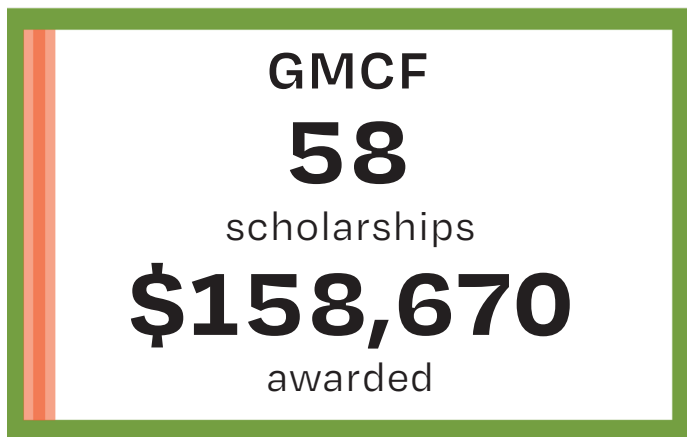
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$27,105,087.10</b>
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Increase in net assets .....	\$65,110,406.26
Management and general expenses .....	289,887,958.19

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<b>Net assets at year end</b>	<b>\$354,998,364.45</b>
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# 2023 Scholarships



# Community Arts

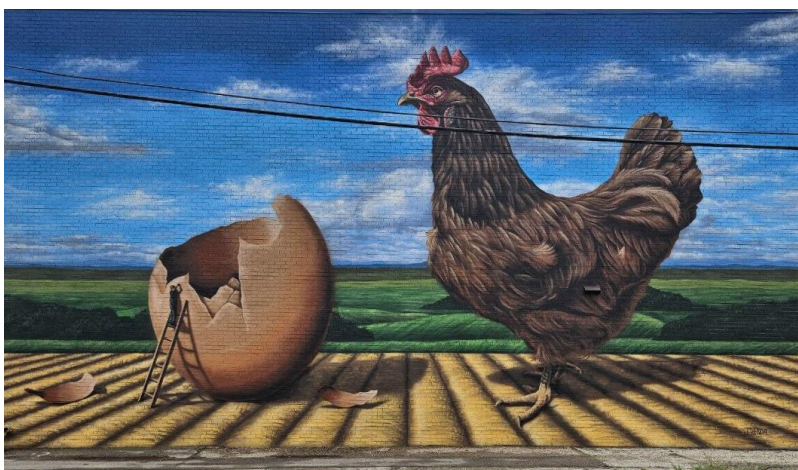
[Mcfks.org/Community-Arts](https://mcfks.org/Community-Arts)

The Greater Manhattan Community Foundation is committed to expanding public art in our community through the GMCF Community Arts Committee (CAC). The CAC serves as a granting committee composed of GMCF trustees. The grant cycle is open year-round, with the committee approving grants quarterly. Projects are funded by the Lincoln and Dorothy Deihl Community Grants Program and through public donations to the GMCF Community Arts fund. In 2023, the Community Arts Program funded 14 projects in Manhattan and the surrounding area.



A grant was awarded to USD 383, enabling the creation of a stunning, large-scale mural on the Anderson Avenue side of Lee Elementary. This mural pays homage to the school's rich and diverse history through vibrant colors and meaningful imagery. It is a powerful addition to the Manhattan, KS, community and elementary schools.

A grant was awarded to the Butler Family Foundation for a mural on the outside of their office building, located in Aggieville. Look for not-so-hidden gems from Manhattan history in this vibrant image of contemporary life. Created by Janson Rapisarda from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.



A grant was awarded to fund a mural at 512 Poyntz Avenue in Manhattan, KS. The mural was completed by Joseph Renda and titled Day After Day. The mural captures the essence of the working-class citizen, drawing connections between their hard work and the sacrifices made by our animal counterparts to support us.

# GMCF Annual Meeting & Community Foundation Awards

The Community Foundation Awards (CFAs) started in 2014 as an addition to the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation's Annual Meeting. This event honors individuals, organizations, and businesses dedicated to improving their community with their time, talent, and treasure. In our community, philanthropy is the catalyst for change. At the CFAs, we award six Community Foundation Awards and six GMCF Awards to people throughout our community who are dedicated to making Manhattan a better place to live and work.

We want to express our sincere thanks to the 500+ people who joined us for the 2023 event. Jackie Hartman Borck, then Board Chair, shared GMCF's year-ending grant distributions of \$26,269,983.



*thecfas.com*



2023

## Community Foundation Awardees



Shepherd's Crossing  
Nonprofit Service

Common Table  
Civic Philanthropy

Tooth Story Dental  
Business Philanthropy

Manhattan Senior Center  
Nonprofit Service

Jill Sherman  
Rising Star

Joy Hall  
Distinguished Volunteer



Kim McAtee, 2023-24 Board Chair (Left) and Jackie Hartman Borck, 2022-23 Board Chair (Right) present Vern Henricks, GMCF President & CEO (Middle) with an award recognizing his decade-long dedication to the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation.

2022

## GMCF Awardees



**Eli Conley**  
Youth Volunteer  
of the Year

**Bob & Tracy DeBruyn**  
Philanthropist  
of the Year

**Dean & Verla Coughenour**  
Lifetime  
Contribution

**Jamie Coones**  
Young Trustee  
of the Year

**Tom Phillips**  
Volunteer  
of the Year

**Greg Barron**  
Professional Advisor  
of the Year



## Military Relations

In the heart of Kansas and the Flint Hills stands the Army's historic 1st Infantry Division, home to service members and their families, serving the retirees and veterans of the surrounding communities. GMCF's Military Relations program continues its support of the military in the area by connecting the military to the community in which they live. GMCF continues to connect the Community Cares Chest with the service members of Fort Riley to provide products to our military families on Fort Riley and to our deployed soldiers.

The GMCF Military Relations program continues to grow, working with nonprofits, local chambers, city and county governments, and the local military. The program furthers the goals of these organizations to better the communities in which they live, work, and play. This year, the program is working with the Gold Star Family Support Fund (Est. 2023), our congressional staff, and the Society of the 1st Infantry Division to provide the opportunity for Gold Star families from the Flint Hills region to see the names of their soldiers on the Monument.

The Armed Forces Community Foundation (AFCF) is an Affiliate of GMCF and has 28 fundholders from around the Flint Hills Region. Last year, the AFCF was awarded a grant from the Patterson Family Foundation Rural Community Grant program for up to \$70,000. AFCF's Stand-To Match Day was held on Veterans Day, and over \$57,000 was raised in donations. Coupled with the match, Stand-To Match Day raised \$114,000. These funds help soldiers, families, veterans, retirees, and those connected with the military community.

We know that the military family could live anywhere in the world. At GMCF, through the Military Relations program, we work with all the military to share ways to contribute to the community in which they live. We inspire and share knowledge of a community foundation by providing the resources to help make mindful decisions to strengthen and support the community they have come to call home.

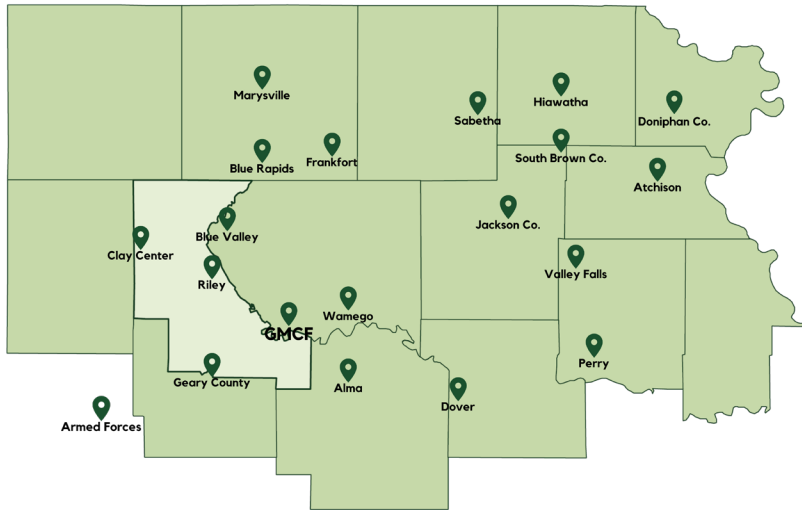
### ***Christine Benne, Military Relations Coordinator***



The Armed Forces Community Foundation (AFCF) Board of Directors (Left) taking donations on November 10 for Stand-To Match Day outside of City Hall. Stand-To Match Day is a day of giving dedicated to supporting the lives of service members, veterans, and military families. In 2023, the AFCF raised \$114,892 during match day.

# GMCF Partners

## Assets



### Alma Area Foundation\*\*

Established	June 21, 2023
# of Funds	7
Assets	\$704,573
2023 Donations	\$641,982
2023 Grants	\$3,137

### Armed Forces Community Foundation\*\*

Established	December 27, 2018
# of Funds	36
Assets	\$270,720
2023 Donations	\$164,833
2023 Grants	\$68,209

### Atchison Area Community Foundation\*

Established	March 11, 2019
# of Funds	88
Assets	\$1,849,338
2023 Donations	\$997,472
2023 Grants	\$826,675

### Blue Rapids Community Foundation\*\*

Established	January 10, 2018
# of Funds	35
Assets	\$673,310
2023 Donations	\$204,357
2023 Grants	\$89,903

### Blue Valley Community Foundation\*\*

Established	September 26, 2022
# of Funds	5
Assets	\$19,581
2023 Donations	\$16,347
2023 Grants	\$17,959

### Clay Center CIF\*

Established	March 8, 2017
# of Funds	106
Assets	\$7,426,671
2023 Donations	\$867,513
2023 Grants	\$675,046

### Doniphan County Community Foundation\*\*

Established	July 12, 2016
# of Funds	50
Assets	\$2,150,440
2023 Donations	\$773,920
2023 Grants	\$33,169

### Dover Community Foundation\*\*

Established	June 9, 2001
# of Funds	3
Assets	\$1,362,153
2023 Donations	\$2,260
2023 Grants	\$602,491

### Frankfort Community Foundation\*\*

Established	November 15, 2005
# of Funds	61
Assets	\$2,764,187
2023 Donations	\$211,885
2023 Grants	\$124,995

### Greater Geary Community Foundation\*\*

Established	December 19, 2016
# of Funds	114
Assets	\$7,710,309
2023 Donations	\$1,104,679
2023 Grants	\$663,325

### Greater Perry Area Community Foundation\*\*

Established	August 15, 2023
# of Funds	6
Assets	\$22,309
2023 Donations	\$23,500
2023 Grants	\$1,245

### Greater Sabetha Community Foundation\*\*

Established	November 11, 2015
# of Funds	140
Assets	\$15,743,667
2023 Donations	\$6,326,040
2023 Grants	\$658,442

### Hiawatha Community Foundation\*\*

Established	December 11, 2019
# of Funds	64
Assets	\$748,639
2023 Donations	\$407,126
2023 Grants	\$429,002

### Jackson County Community Foundation\*\*

Established	March 15, 2019
# of Funds	42
Assets	\$1,418,801
2023 Donations	\$273,493
2023 Grants	\$153,230

### Manhattan-Ogden Public\*\* \* Schools Foundation

Established	December 11, 2019
# of Funds	26
Assets	\$3,162,177
2023 Donations	\$198,145
2023 Grants	\$291,730

### Marysville Community Foundation\*\*

Established	June 2, 2014
# of Funds	84
Assets	\$1,933,525
2023 Donations	\$638,675
2023 Grants	\$477,345

### Rural Riley County CF\*\*

Established	August 15, 2023
# of Funds	5
Assets	\$5,347
2023 Donations	\$6,460
2023 Grants	\$1,245

### South Brown County CF\*\*\*

Established	December 11, 2019
# of Funds	50
Assets	\$328,949
2023 Donations	\$284,168
2023 Grants	\$65,624

### Valley Falls Community Foundation\*\*

Established	November 12, 2018
# of Funds	48
Assets	\$314,044
2023 Donations	\$271,030
2023 Grants	\$26,679

### Wamego Community Foundation\*

Established	March 1, 2016
# of Funds	157
Assets	\$6,359,664
2023 Donations	\$1,239,285
2023 Grants	\$616,107

\*ASSOCIATE

\*\*AFFILIATE

\*\*\* EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATE

**Partner Assets Total**

**\$55,311,645**

2023- 2024

# Executive Board & Trustee Committees

## Executive Board

**Kim McAtee** '19, Chair  
**Matt Crocker** '11, Chair Elect  
**Dave Rogers** '15, Treasure  
**Eileen Hinkin** '15, Secretary  
**Jackie Hartman Borck** '18, PastC  
Dale Bradley '20  
Linda Cook '19  
Eric Higgins '15  
Phil Howe '18  
Beth Smoller '20  
ML Latimore '20

## Advisors

Mark Knackendoffel '99  
Neil Horton '02  
Wayne Sloan '15  
Johnny Taylor '20  
Mary Vanier '99

## Asset Development

**Vern Henricks - Staff, Chair**  
Chris Braley '18  
Kelly Briggs '18  
Doug Hinkin '17  
Terry Holdren '15  
Ward Morgan '14  
Marty Vanier '18

## Community Art

**Jackie Hartman Borck** '18, Chair  
Dave Baker '16  
Shawn Drew '18  
Joleen Hill '02  
Karen McCulloh '02  
Barbara Nelson '12  
Jeff Oliphant '18  
Cheryl Richt '11  
Larie Schoap '11-'13, '21  
Cindy Sloan '09-'12, '21  
Alyn West '22

## Events – CFA's

**Kim McAtee** '19, Chair  
Cheryl Grice '12  
Ronnie Grice '02  
Tracey Gros '21  
Betti O '20  
Annette Radina '18  
Jill Sherman '18  
--Chris Nobert '20

## Events – Chili Cook-off

--**Addie Bunnell** '16, Co-Chair  
--**Michael Juhnke** '16, Co-Chair  
--Jamie Coones '16  
--Tahnee Jacobs '20  
--Taylor Kuhn '20  
--Catherine McKinley '18  
--Kyle Powers '16  
--Jake Schulte '19

--Ashley Urban '17

## Finance

**Dave Rogers** '15, Chair  
Brett Ballou '19  
Dale Bradley '17  
Mary Carter '21  
Connie Casper '02  
Scott Emley '14  
Brad Fagan '22  
Bernard Irvine '11  
Rob Stitt '02  
David Urban '13  
--Ellen Knackendoffel '16  
--ML Latimore '20  
--Brent Riffel '16  
--Preston Schotte '22

## Fiscal Sponsorship

**Vern Henricks - Staff**  
Dirk Daveline '99  
Blake Kaus '16  
Bob Shannon '16  
Greg Wilson '23  
Dan Yunk '03  
--Kayla Savage '16

## Grants

**Eileen Hinkin** '15, Chair  
Gina Dierenfeldt '15  
Allison Disbrow '19  
Genie Emig '18  
Jodi Kaus '01  
Christy Linders '23  
Dave Nelson '16  
Mary Jo Nelson '23  
Lana Oleen '05  
David Pauls '18  
Usha Reddi '19  
Janice Reitz '15  
Bill Wolf '16  
--Cody Blake '20  
--Chance Lee '16

## Lincoln & Dorothy Deihl Fund

**Beth Smoller** '20, Chair  
Kevin Ingram '11  
Dr. Rebecca Klingler '16  
Jo Lyle '06  
Chuck Lyman '15  
Barbara Nelson '12  
Derrick Roberson '16

## Investment

**Eric Higgins** '15, Chair  
Randy Anderes '15  
Mike Dodson '20  
Jim Gordon '99  
Tom Hintz '08  
Dennis Mullin '02  
Jon Pope '13  
Calvin Pottberg '19  
Brad Sidener '19  
Dean Thibault '16

Gail Urban '10  
Jake Wassenberg '23  
David Weaver '14  
--Seth Gordon '16

## Marketing

**MaKenna Eilert - Staff**  
**Linda Cook** '19, Chair  
Jerry Banaka '09  
Lyle Butler '02  
Bobbi French '20  
Doug Haverkamp '23  
Gordon Hibbard '17  
Karen Hibbard '23  
Cindy Penner '23  
Dustin Lobaugh '10-'12, '16  
Lorenzo Lockett '20  
Ashley Martin '22  
Doug Meloan '03  
Lori Rogge '23  
Matt Walters '22  
--Lauren Metheny '22  
--Jeff Sackrider '21  
--Kara Titus '20

## Nominating

**Kim McAtee** '19, Chair  
Neal Helmick, '09  
Stacy Kohlmeier '14  
Jan Marks '02

## Professional Advisors

**Gary Fees - Staff, Chair**  
Tyler Darnell '19  
Mike Hinkin '22  
Mike Holtman '08  
Joe Knopp '17  
Summer Ott-Dierks '19  
Lisa Ward '14  
--Andy Ellis '16

## Scholarship

**Edee Nichols - Staff, Chair**  
Duane Dunn '03-'04, '16  
Mark Hatesohl '20  
Sue Maes '99  
Michael Oldfather '02  
Karen Roberts '09  
Bruce Snead '12  
Sheila Walker '20  
--Emily Dixon '16  
--Gavin Schmidt '16

## Strategic Initiatives

**Matt Crocker** '11 Co-Chair  
Tracy Anderson '23  
John Armbrust '17  
Grant Bannister '19  
Blake Bauer '22  
Theresa Bramlage '19  
Kristin Brighton '20  
Chris Eichman '18  
Ron Fowles '17

Rich Jankovich '17  
Kelly Keogh '20  
Lowell Kohlmeier '18  
Bill Lansdowne '17  
Bruce McMillian '23  
Randy O'Boyle '19  
Tony Parker '19  
Randy Peterson '22  
Tom Phillips '16  
Jason Smith '22  
Harry Watts '08-'13 '19  
Linda Weis '14  
Jarrod Willich '18  
Kerri Winter '19  
--Cole Bachamp '20  
--Natalie Gordon '16  
--Ross Metheny '22  
--Veronica Sims '16

## Website

**Gary Fees - Staff, Chair**  
Steven Graham '21  
Dave Lewis '20  
Brad Roberts '22

## Youth Impacting Community

**MaKenna Eilert - Staff, Chair**  
Stephanie Gryniewicz '21  
Richard Jones '21  
--Heather Peterson '19

## Butler Family CF '18

@Brenda Butler, President  
@Mark Butler  
Sherry Butler '19  
Seth Gordon '16  
Phil Howe '14  
D'Anne Latimore '08  
Rose Pritchard '09  
**Vern Henricks, Secretary '13**

## Goldstein Foundation '09

Terry Arthur, President '03  
Matt Crocker, Vice Pres. '11  
Jim Gordon, Treasurer '99  
Dirk Daveline '99  
Clint Johns '22  
Dennis Mullin, '02  
Jim Morrison '99  
Matt Paquette '08  
Kim McAtee '11  
**Vern Henricks, Secretary '13**

## Howe Family Foundation '13

Phil Howe, Chairman '14  
Bill Riley, President '14  
Bill Richter, Vice President '03  
Terry Arthur, Treasurer '03  
**Vern Henricks, Secretary '13**  
Roger Sink, Advisor '15

## --Young Trustee

**'## Initial Year as Trustee**  
**@ Board member, non-Trustee**

# GMCF Staff Expansion

In 2023, GMCF welcomed four new team members, launching a new era of philanthropic advancement in the Manhattan community. First was the hire of Taylor Veatch, GMCF’s new student intern. Second, the hire of Aimee Nelson. Aimee began as the executive assistant until transitioning into the Wamego Community Foundation’s Director after the retirement of Mike McCall later in the year. Third, Stacy Smith was hired to fill the executive assistant position and manage grants for the Flint Hills Community Accelerator. Lastly, Connie Joy was hired to assist Leslie Scoby with the Greater Sabetha Community Foundation.

GMCF also saw the retirement of long-time Wamego Community Foundation (WCF) Director, Michael (Mike) McCall. Since becoming Executive Director in 2017 Mike has guided the WCF (GMCF Partner) through significant growth and transformation. Under his leadership, the Foundation saw a surge in financial resources and community outreach throughout his seven years, with funds increasing from 85 to 173 and donations soaring from \$224,470 to \$1,132,857. Mike’s pivotal role in launching Wamego Match Day in 2019 catalyzed community support, raising \$501,687 in 2023 alone. His efforts also led to a remarkable increase in WCF’s assets, from \$1,756,708 in 2017 to \$5,520,592 in 2023.

Mike McCall (Left) and Aimee Nelson (Right) laugh together at the Wamego Area Chamber of Commerce’s Annual Celebration Event. At this event, Mike was awarded an Impact Awards, showcasing his commitment to Wamego community betterment.



## Our Team



<b>Vern Henricks</b> President & CEO	<b>Christine Benne</b> Military Relations Coordinator	<b>Marla Brandon</b> Vice President of Finance	<b>Sally Braun</b> Finance Assistant	<b>MaKenna Eilert</b> Director of Marketing	<b>Gary Fees</b> Director of Investment Services	<b>Felix Jimenez</b> Digital Marketing Coordinator
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<b>Connie Joy</b> GSCF Assistant Coordinator	<b>Aimee Nelson</b> WCF Director	<b>Edee Nichols</b> Grants & Scholarships Coordinator	<b>Mitzi Richards</b> Director of Philanthropy	<b>Leslie Scoby</b> GSCF Director	<b>Stacy Smith</b> Executive Assistant & Grants Manager	<b>Taylor Veatch</b> Intern
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## **Mission**

**Building relationships between  
donors and community needs**

## **Vision**

**Enhancing quality of life  
through philanthropic giving**

## **Values**

**Service with accountability, integrity,  
quality, respect, and transparency**



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