



Building a brighter
**SMOKY
VALLEY**

2014 Annual Report

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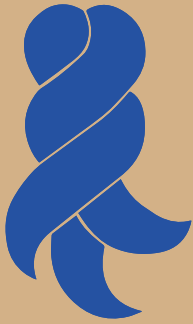
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Our mission
*is to meet
charitable
community
needs through
leadership, grants,
and services.*

2013-2014

Board of Directors

Aaron Esping, *Chair*
Rebecca VanDerWege, *Vice-Chair*
Tricia Clark, *Secretary*
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Amie Bauer
Ryan Biegert
Kirsten Bruce
Cassie Johnson
John Palmquist
Holly Myers
Shane Rief
Shirley Reissig
Robin Dutton, *Contract Director*

12 Years of Impact

The Community Foundation has awarded more than \$885,000 in grants since our inception in 2002.

TOTAL ASSETS

2002 \$49,768

2014 \$2,505,570

ANNUAL GRANTS

2003 \$61,923

2014 \$84,915

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

2002 \$44,357

2014 \$182,283

**Check out our new
website!**

www.smokyvalleycf.org

Letter from the Board Chair

Opportunity Exists Here

Dear Friends,

Building for a brighter Smoky Valley, what a great way to sum up what the Smoky Valley Community Foundation does each day. From ensuring sustained income for area non-profits to providing scholarship opportunities for our youth to realize the dream of attending college, building for a brighter tomorrow is what we are all about!

As we look at the newly opened conference center, the new additions to the College and Bethany Home and the ever growing downtown the future seems bright for our community but, it will take continued support from the residents to make sure tomorrows Smoky Valley is brighter than today. To paraphrase Coach Bill Snyder “The opportunity exists here today and it’s not one to be taken lightly.”

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~Coach Bill Snyder

As you’ll read in the following pages this past year has been quite exciting for the Community Foundation as well; we’ve added two new funds, the A. Jay Steinberg Music Scholarship and the Smoky Valley Athletic Association fund, both of which will have direct impacts on the youth of the Smoky Valley, the future of the Smoky Valley. We are also in the final stages of the GROW II program and thanks to our donors, we should complete the challenge ahead of schedule.

As we look to the future, what can we as a community do today to make it brighter for our children’s and grandchildren’s generation?

Sincerely,



Aaron Esping

Donors

The most important element in the Foundation is our donors because without them we would not exist. They are what keeps the Foundation strong and successful. Some gifts are small and some large, but when combined, they all work towards one common goal—building a brighter Smoky Valley area.

Robert Ahlstedt
Craig & Nancy Allison
Karmon & Mary Anne Almquist
Becky Anderson
Donald Anderson
Marvin & Leah Ann Anderson
Roger & Jane Anderson
Sharon Anderson
Anonymous Donor(s)
Gene & Marilyn Applequist
Roy & Donice Applequist
The Associated Churches of Lindsborg
Julie Aune
Connie Baer
John Bellah
Patricia Bellah
Donald & Kathey Bengtson
Bethany College
Tim & Cindy Boller
Bill & Carolyn Brock
Sharon Bruce
Leon & Judith Burch
Gary & Gaylene Butler
Michael & Dana Byers
Andrew & Kelly Carlson
Dan & Gay Carlson
Terence Carlson
Wayne & Nita Kay Carlson
William & Doris Carlson
Dorothy Carmichael
Adam & Teri Chaney
Rolland & Aileen Christenson
City of Lindsborg
Clark, Mize & Linville, Chtd.
James & Tammy Cook

Patrick & Kandis Crawford
Kenneth & Diane Cummings
Larry & Edith Dahlsten
Ron & Sue Dahlsten
Holly Dalke
Harvey & Cindy Daniels
Ed & Sydney Dippel
Kermit & Connie Dorf
Margarete Dorsch
Dirk & Naomi Durant
Vance & Clarice Eckstrom
Joyce Englund
Marlyn & Monica Eshelman
Aaron & Inge Esping
Karl & Wanda Esping
Farmers State Bank
Nathan Finch
Steven & Brenda Finch
Fredrick Fink
Bradley & Jill Forsberg
Maleta Forsberg
John & Mary Francisco
Duane & Nancy Fredrickson
Donn & Wendy Fullenweider
Lynn Geiman
Thomas & Sheryl Haigh
Darlene Handlin
Rachel Handlin & Michael Beert
Steven & Melinda Hansen
Daniel & Jerri Hanus
Bruce & Linda Harding
Gary Harms
Deanne Haverfield
Donald & Maj-Britt Hawk
John Hawk

Joseph & Susan Hewitt
Don Johnson & Rebecca Copley
Einar & Kristin Johnson
Elma Johnson
Eralene Johnson
Herbert & Nancy Johnson
Linda Johnson
Marvin & Elizabeth Johnson
Richard & Ann Johnson
Scott & Linda Johnson
Kansas Health Foundation
Ted & Nancy Kessinger
Alan & Karen Leaf
Ruth Ann Leaf
Mary Lindgren
Bill & Gay Lindholm
Steven & Marian Lindshield
Mark & Jeanne Lucas
Maridene Lundstrom
Douglas Malm
Bertil & Marilyn Malm
John Marshall
Dan & Carolyn Masterson
Gary & Dixie Mattas
Daniel & Lori McKinney
Barry & Michele McMillan
Allen & Dorothy Meier
Ann Metcalfe
Ron & Jan Michael
James & Betty Nelson
Sean & Lori Nelson
Ellen Neufeld
Robert & Mary Jane Nyquist
Martha Oleen
Clair & Jerrine Oleen
Steven & LaReta Olson
Keo O'Rourke
John & Sharon Palmquist
Walter & Dolores Pelz
Betty Peterson
Joyce Peterson
Mark & Joyce Peterson
Melissa Peterson
W. D. & Judy Peterson

Walden & Ruth Peterson
Joyce Pigge
Kendall & Karla Pihl
Ronald & Mary Pihl
John & Margaret Presley
Carole Ann Rasmusson
Mr. & Mrs. John Rathlef
Shane Reif
Arnold & Christine Reinert
Gordon & Mary Reist
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Tim & Robin Roets
Ronald & Marsha Rolander
Kenneth & Sarah Ross Moberg
Bill & Deniece Roth
James & Donna Ruble
Susie Ruggels
Joseph & Vicki Ruggiero
Betty Russin
Dale Sader & Karil Bellah
David & Ann Samuelson
Dave & Sharon Schrag
Steven & Carla Scott
Brent & Renella Sherwood
Janet Shogren
Kenneth & Marilyn Sjogren
Smoky Valley Athletic Association
South High Band Booster Club
Doris Stump
Glen & Rita Suppes
Larry & Amy Swann
Dale & Kristine Swanson
Doug & Linda Talbott
Matt & Debbie Talbott
Eldon & Mary Tillberg
Ione Toll
Thomas & Kathryn Toll
Paul & Sally Train
Kally Tuttle
Larry & Rebecca VanDerWege
Mike & Rose Marie Wallen
Kenneth Warren & Nina Ainslie Warren
Judith Weber

Donors

Memorials

Memorials are a great way to preserve a friend or family member's legacy after they are gone. The Foundation received gifts made in memory of others throughout the year. This year, gifts were received in memory of:

Lee Ruggels
A. Jay Steinberg

Honorariums

A charitable gift is a wonderful way to remember someone you love or admire. The Foundation received gifts made in honor of others throughout the year. This year, gifts were received in honor of:

Bill Roth



A. Jay Steinberg Music Scholarship *In Memory of Lindsborg's "Music Man"*

Patient, dedicated, an advocate of students- these are the ways A. Jay Steinberg has been described as a man and a teacher. Jay moved to Lindsborg from Somerville, New Jersey in the 1970s to attend Bethany College. He made Lindsborg his permanent home as music teacher and performer and received a Masters degree in clarinet performance from Wichita State University.

About three years ago, Jay was diagnosed with cancer, but continued to teach up until the end of his battle on May 22.

"He was as passionate about music as anybody I have ever known," former student Taton Tubss said. "He brought about a generation of musicians that probably won't be see again in this town."

Although Jay is not physically here with us anymore, we feel honored that his passion and dedication to music will continue to live on through the A. Jay Steinberg Music Scholarship held here at the Foundation.

2014

A Big Year for Community Foundations Everywhere

One hundred years ago, in 1914, the first community foundation was established in Cleveland, OH, giving rise to a new philanthropy, a new way of participating in community, and a new vision for the future.

Today, Smoky Valley Community Foundation (SVCF) is one of more than 700 community foundations in the United States, collectively managing more than \$66 billion in assets and making grants of approximately \$4.9 billion a year to improve life in their communities. There are more than 1,700 community foundations worldwide.

Since we were established in 2002, SVCF has made grants of more than \$885,000 to address pressing needs and important local causes, through the generous gifts of our donors.

In the past year alone, we've:

- Established 2 new funds to improve life in the Smoky Valley area.
- Granted \$84,915 to more than 30 organizations and students to support education, the arts, public health and more.
- Partnered with the Kansas Health Foundation to leverage over \$16,500 in matching dollars to support the public health of the Smoky Valley area and Foundation operations.

We're proud to be part of this vibrant field of community philanthropy- 100 years and growing!

A Bright and Healthy Future

Helping Kansas communities build permanent resources to improve the health of local residents is one of the main goals of the Kansas Health Foundation's GROW II program and it shows! Since participating in GROW II, the Foundation has earned more than \$299,444 in matching grant dollars, half of which support the public health of the Smoky Valley area. From our public health funds, we have granted \$4,574 to 5 different projects and programs and these figures will only continue to grow. In addition to supporting public health, GROW II has also helped leverage over \$1.12 million in new endowed gifts to other funds at the Foundation, keeping the Smoky Valley area a bright and vibrant place to live.

Funds & Grants

Part of our mission in making the Smoky Valley area a brighter place to live is to meet charitable community needs through grants. Since inception, SVCF has awarded over \$885,000 in grants that support a broad range of charitable causes—some donor directed and some determined by our board of directors. It is the opportunity to make an impact that makes us feel blessed to be part of this organization.

Smoky Valley Community Enhancement Fund

The Smoky Valley Community Enhancement Fund is an unrestricted grant fund that provides the board of directors the flexibility to respond to the changing needs of the community. Grants from this fund are awarded through a competitive application process and support a wide variety of charitable causes and nonprofit organizations. Donations of any size to this fund will continue to make our area a brighter place to live.

Bethany College-\$1,500

Athletic Fields Storm Safety System

Central Kansas Conservancy-\$908

Meadowlark Multipurpose Trail

Lindsborg Christmas Committee-\$200

Old Mill Bridge Light Replacement

Lindsborg Community Library-\$750

Reading Readiness Project

Riverview Estates-\$500

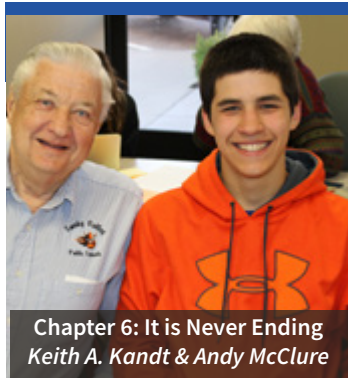
Decorative Fence

Smoky Valley Writers Project-\$1,000

Korean Veterans Writing Project

The YMCA Children's Center-\$700

YCC Playground Safety Renovation



Chapter 6: It is Never Ending
Keith A. Kandt & Andy McClure

Smoky Valley Senior Writers Group

Forgotton No More: Stories of the Korean War

A group of twenty one writers, met from January 23 through April 10, 2014, producing a book of ten stories about Korean War experiences. Smoky Valley High School students worked with McPherson County veterans to capture these “forgotten war” stories.

Grants from the Smoky Valley Community Enhancement and Heritage Fund helped fund this project.

Organization Funds

Establishing an endowment at the Foundation enables nonprofit organizations to build a permanent and bright future. Helping them fulfill their individual missions now and forever is one way that we achieve our own mission.

Current Funds

The Associated Churches of Lindsborg (TACOL)
Bethany Home Association
Lindsborg Community Health Care Foundation, Inc.
Lindsborg Community Hospital Restricted Fund
Lindsborg Community Library
Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers

Organization Fund 2013-2014 Grantees-*\$16,458 grants awarded*

Bethany Home Association
Lindsborg Community Health Care Foundation, Inc.
Lindsborg Community Hospital
Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers, Inc.

Field of Interest Funds

Field of interest funds allow donors to support a specific cause or geographic area without having to choose a specific organization. Grants are made through an application process administered by the Foundation and a grants committee work together to determine the grants all while making the future brighter.

Current Funds

Heritage Fund
Kansas Health Foundation Fund for Smoky Valley
Smoky Valley Healthy Living Fund

Field of Interest Fund 2013-2014 Grantees-*\$4,094 total grants*

Bethany Home Association
Lindsborg Senior Center
Raymer Society for the Arts
Smoky Valley Historical Association
Smoky Valley Senior Writers

Designated Funds

Supporting your favorite charity is easy to do with a designated fund. A donor can designate one or more charities within one fund and the Foundation administers annual grants from the fund in the donor's name, forever. If the charity designated no longer exists in the future, the funds will be redirected to a similar charitable need, ensuring that your community's future will be bright no matter what happens.

Current Funds

Bethany College
Joyce Challans Memorial
Kansas Health Foundation Operating Fund for Smoky Valley
Lindsborg Arts Council
The Lindsborg Playground Improvement Fund
Clyde & Glen Lindstrom
Messiah Lutheran Church
The Roth Family Fund
Smoky Valley Lindstrom Scholarship
Smoky Valley Westman Scholarship
Trinity United Methodist Church

Designated Fund 2013-2014 Grantees-\$51,789 total grants

The Associated Churches of Lindsborg
Bethany College
City of Lindsborg
Fort Hays State University Foundation
Lindsborg Arts Council
Messiah Lutheran Church
Smoky Valley Administrative Fund
Smoky Valley Community Enhancement Fund
Smoky Valley USD #400
Smoky Valley Unified School Education Foundation
Trinity United Methodist Church

Funds & Grants

Scholarship Funds

Helping students achieve success and have a bright future is a rewarding experience for many donors. Scholarship funds allow donors to provide educational opportunities for graduates of certain schools, for specific funds of study, or for study at particular institutions.

Current Funds

Judith K. Burch Scholarship

Dr. Charles Englund Memorial Scholarship

Mona Peterson Community Service Scholarship

Smoky Valley Elementary Education Scholarship

A. Jay Steinberg Music Scholarship*

Scholarship Fund 2013-2014 Grantees-\$3,515.98 grants awarded (Scholarships paid July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014)

Curtis Carlson

Bethany College

Hannah Carlson

Emporia State University

Kellee Carson

Bethany College

Colton Hartline

Bethany College

Emily Norberg

University of Kansas

Richard Welter

Bethany College

* denotes new fund

Donor Advised Funds

Donor advised funds give donors the opportunity to make the future brighter by actively engaging them in the grantmaking process. It is similar to a private foundation but with less hassle and better tax advantages. Donors can choose what charities to support through their fund while the

Current Funds

The Rotary Club of Lindsborg

The Smoky Valley Athletic Association*

Donor Advised Fund 2013-2014 Grantees-\$500 grants awarded

Midsummer Festival, Inc.

Rotaract of Kansas State University

*denotes new fund

Funds for the Future

Funds for the future enable donors to make a brighter future at the end of their lifetimes. Donors create a fund agreement during their lifetime to support their favorite charitable causes and then when they pass, the fund kicks into action. What a great way to leave a legacy!

Current Funds

The Chester G. Peterson & Jeannette G. Peterson Fund
The Larry and Rebecca VanDerWege Fund

Other Funds

A secure administrative fund enables us to make the Smoky Valley area a stronger, vibrant and brighter places to live now and forever. These funds support the Community Foundation's operating costs as well as provide educational workshops geared towards nonprofits, professional advisors and estate planning.

Current Funds

Smoky Valley Administrative Fund

Your hometown. Their future.



You've enjoyed a good life in a great community. What would you do to ensure future generations of Kansans can say the same?

The Keep 5 in Kansas initiative asks us to designate just 5% of our estates to our hometown needs. With a little planning, and help from our community foundations, we can create permanent funding for our schools, hospitals, churches, parks, nonprofits, libraries, and so much more!



A little planning. A big impact.

Learn more at keepfiveinkansas.com

The Keep 5 in Kansas campaign is sponsored by the Kansas Association of Community Foundations (kansascfs.org) and the Kansas Health Foundation.

Building a Brighter Future

Founding Donors

Eleven years ago, our Founding Donors were approached with a vision to create a brighter future for the Smoky Valley area. Because of their faith and generosity to the Smoky Valley Community Foundation, the Foundation has grown to \$2,505,570 in assets and has granted over \$885,000 back to our communities. We call that a success!

INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

Maleta Forsberg
Judy M. Neuschafer
Ronald & Marsha Rolander
Lee & Susie Ruggels

BUSINESS ENTITIES

Bethany College
Bethany Home
Carlson Accounting, Inc.
City of Lindsborg
Clark, Mize & Linville, Chtd.
Lindsborg Community Hospital
Raymer Society
Sandzén Memorial Art Gallery

GSCF Investment Portfolio

Investment Info

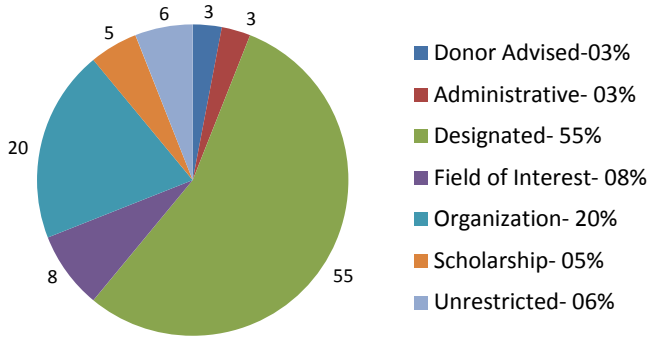
The Foundation believes the best long-term performance will be achieved through a balanced portfolio consisting of 75% equities and 25% fixed income and cash.

As an affiliate of the Greater Salina Community Foundation (GSCF), the funds at the Smoky Valley Community Foundation are pooled together with all the funds held by GSCF and their affiliates. The funds are invested with Vanguard and governed by a local finance committee at GSCF.

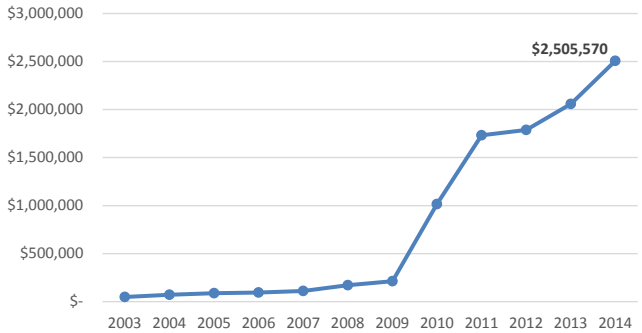
We are confident in our performance and rate well when compared to other investment pools. Our 5 year annualized return is 14.76% and our 10 year annualized return is 7.65%.

2nd Quarter 2014	+	4.13%	
Trailing 1 Year	+	18.82%	
Trailing 3 Years	+	37.09%	Absolute
	+	11.09%	Annualized
Trailing 5 Years	+	99.07%	Absolute
	+	14.76%	Annualized
Trailing 10 Years	+	108.94%	Absolute
	+	7.65%	Annualized

SVCF Assets by Type



SVCF Total Assets



Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

(June 30, 2014)

ASSETS

Wells Fargo CMM	\$35,428
Pooled Investment- Vanguard	\$2,470,142
Total Assets	\$2,505,570

LIABILITIES

Total Liabilities	\$0
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FUND BALANCES

Fund Balance—Principal	\$1,818,248
Fund Balance—Income	\$683,758
Fund Balance—Spendable	\$3,564
Total Fund Balances	\$2,505,570

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$2,505,570
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Consolidated Statement of Activities

(June 30, 2014)

REVENUES

Gifts & Bequests-Principal	\$141,125
Gifts & Bequests-Income	\$31,761
Dividend Income	\$44,249
Realized Gain on Investments	\$2,723
Unrealized Gain on Investments	\$331,926
Total Revenues	\$551,784

TRANSFERS

Interfund Gifts	(\$9,397)
Interfund Grants	\$5,260
Total Transfers	(\$4,137)

EXPENSES

Grants Authorized	\$79,655
Foundation Administrative Contribution	\$18,989
Operating Expenses	\$8,529
Total Expenses	\$107,173

NET ACTIVITY	\$448,748
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years

I believe in
COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS.

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