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Winter 2017

Thank you SEK for another Successful Match Day



#GIVING
TUESDAY



"Tuesday, November 28, National#GivingTuesday, was an exciting and busy day at the Community Foundation office! I'm happy to report that Match Day has been a great success!!! The Match Day total received is \$83,339! We are thrilled about the contributions and support to the organizations. **Thank you** for your support and participation in Match Day!", Kit Parks, Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas (CFSEK) Executive Director, messaged to the Board of Trustees.

Completing its sixth year, National#GivingTuesday was a global day of giving fueled by the power of social media and collaboration. Celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday kicks off the charitable season, when many focus on their holiday and end-of-year giving. Since its inaugural year in 2012, #GivingTuesday has become a movement that celebrates and supports giving and philanthropy.

Completing our second year, the CFSEK has joined the National#GivingTuesday movement by creating a CFSEK Match Day. Seventeen area non-profit organizations with CFSEK endowed funds accepted the invitation to participate in Match Day 2017 and receive a portion of a \$27,000 Match provided by the CFSEK and private contributions. Organizations were eligible for matching funds based on a pro-rated percentage not to exceed 20% of the match total. All donations to an organization and the match donation from CFSEK will be placed in the organization's endowment fund. An endowed fund continues to give year after year to help that organization remain viable over time.

The CFSEK is thrilled to be able to provide an opportunity such as Match Day to organizations who do so much for our communities day in and day out. We are extremely pleased to announce a grand Match Day total, including donations and match, in the amount of **\$110,339!**

In response to the success of Match Day 2017, several board members shared their thoughts in response to Kit's message. "I'm in awe of the ability of the foundation to make this type of impact on our part of the country", "Another example of the generosity of our area." Kit Parks agreed, "It's incredible to see so many people in our area come together in the spirit of generosity. We are grateful to all who supported and contributed to our Match Day organizations."

Grant Recipients in 2017 Celebrated at Annual Celebration

Over one hundred grant recipients, board members, and friends of the Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas (CFSEK) gathered at the Wilkinson Alumni Center on the PSU campus Tuesday, November 14, to celebrate and recognize the organizations who received grant funding through the CFSEK in 2017 and the work they do. Angels Among Us, a CFSEK partner organization, provided food, beverage and décor for the evening. Musical entertainment was provided by Ella Rhuems, 2017 Pittsburg Idol winner for the 11—13 age division. Remarks regarding the CFSEK were brought to us by Kevin Mitchelson, Board President, and Kit Parks, Executive Director. A special thanks goes out to the organizations who shared a story or successes about their grant funded project. Hearing from the organizations themselves is a special part of the celebration. The CFSEK is privileged to serve the SEK region by encouraging charitable giving that benefits the common good and quality of life in our area. The annual grant celebration brings that privilege to life and reminds us how fortunate we are to be part of grant giving whatever our role.

Please enjoy a complete list of 2017 CFSEK grant recipients on the following page.



With 2017 coming to a close, we look back on this successful year with gratitude and amazement. One of our Match Day participants shared with us a great compliment, "You make such a difference in so many lives." At the CFSEK, we plan to continue making a difference in SEK communities. At this 'wonderful time of the year', we wish you and yours a Happy Holiday and Joyous New Year!

2017 GRANT RECIPIENTS

CFSEK General Grants

Basic Human Needs

Bourbon County Inter-Agency Coalition
 Catholic Charities Inc.
 CLASS LTD
 Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas
 First United Methodist Church - Wesley House (2)
 Labette County Emergency Assistance Center
 Labette Health Foundation
 Mercy Health Foundation Fort Scott
 Mount Carmel Foundation
 Presbyterian Manors, Inc.
 PSU Enactus
 Restorative Justice Authority
 Safe Haven Outreach Mission
 Safehouse Crisis Center, Inc.
 SEK Women Helping Women
 Shirley Yeager Animal Friends Foundation

Youth Activities

Cherry Street Youth Center
 Children's Advocacy Center, Inc.
 City of Yates Center Recreation Commission
 Erie Community Foundation Inc.
 Family Resource Center
 First United Methodist Church - Wesley House
 Horses of Hope Riding Center Inc.
 Learning Tree Institute at Greenbush
 McCune Osage Township Library & Museum
 Miner's Hall Museum
 Northeast Unified School District 246
 Parsons Wesley United Methodist Church
 Pittsburg Public Library
 Sedan Public Library
 Special Olympics Kansas Pittsburg Affiliate
 Spring River Mental Health & Wellness
 TFI Family Services, Inc.
 USD 250 - Interlocal 637
 USD 250 - Lakeside Elementary
 USD 250 - Pittsburg High School
 Women's Resource Center of SEK

Elm Acres Foundation

Communities in Schools of Mid-America, Inc.
 Family Resource Center
 First United Methodist Church - Wesley House (2)
 Partnership for All Cherokee County Children, Inc.
 Restorative Justice Authority

Future Fund

Catholic Charities, Inc.
 Communities in Schools of Mid-America, Inc.
 Families & Children Together, Inc.
 First United Methodist Church—Wesley House
 Northeast School District 246
 Southeast Kansas Education Service Center—Greenbush
 SEK Women Helping Women: A Fairy Godmother's Fund
 The Lord's Diner
 The Salvation Army
 USD 250 - Interlocal 637
 USD 250 - PHS
 Women's Resource Center of SEK

Get Busy Livin' Youth Volunteer Grants

Labette County Emergency Assistance Center
 Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Youth Ministry
 Via Christi
 Wildcat Extension District

Rita J Bicknell Women's Health Fund

Circle of Friends

Pittsburg Mother to Mother Ministry
 Women's Resource Center of SEK

Women's Giving Circle

Angels Among Us Inc.
 Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas
 Hannah's Promise Pregnancy Life Center, Inc.
 Mount Carmel Foundation

Youth Philanthropy

Children's Advocacy Center
 Lakeside Elementary 3rd grade
 Lakeside Elementary 5th grade
 Pittsburg Community Middle School
 Pittsburg High School Interlocal 637
 St. Mary's Colgan
 St. Mary's Colgan Science Club
 Westside K-Kids

A Glimpse of Giving Back in 2017

