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The mission of the Phelps County Community Foundation is to encourage and provide opportunities for charitable giving, to manage & distribute funds in a responsible manner, and to enhance the quality of life for the people of Phelps County.

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\$451,011



We did it! give2Grow—Phelps County Match Day—was a HUGE SUCCESS!

Last year, the PCCF Board was looking for creative ways to make more of an impact while serving our mission to “enhance the quality of life in Phelps County.”

After researching the power of “giving days” happening around the country, the Foundation decided to take the plunge and host a giving day (or “match day”) in Phelps County.

The first step taken by the board was to commit \$75,000 in matching funds to give2Grow Phelps County. Local qualified projects and non-profits were identified and invited to participate in this event.

On November 29, people who care about Phelps County gave \$374,111 to the 41 participating give2Grow non-profits and the Foundation divided up its \$75,000 in matching funds and bonus grants among the organizations receiving contributions.

Each of these non-profits will now have more resources to provide valuable services and projects in Phelps County to benefit the people of Phelps County.

give2Grow Results

Total Dollars Raised:	\$374,111	Mosaic	\$8,320
Total Match Dollars:	\$75,000	Optimist Club of Holdrege	\$3,365
Total Bonus Grants:	\$1,900	Phelps Community Pantry	\$13,072
Total for the Day:	\$451,011*	Phelps County 4-H Foundation	\$1,322
Number of Gifts:	1,201	Phelps County Historical Society	\$14,217
Bertrand Community Foundation	\$25,230	Phelps County Senior Citizen Center	\$27,924
Bertrand Nursing Home and Assisted Living	\$294	Phelps Memorial Health Center	\$1,205
Bertrand School Community Foundation	\$3,215	Phelps Memorial Service League	\$8,464
Bertrand School Media Center Renovation	\$1,112	South Platte Youth Athletic Club, Inc.	\$15,734
Bertrand Village Charitable Fund	\$583	Tassel Coordination Council	\$17,863
Bertrand Young at Heart Senior Center	\$12,525	TeamMates Mentoring Program	\$7,103
CASA	\$8,682	Village of Bertrand	\$7,694
Central Community College	\$1,101	Village of Loomis	\$4,145
Christian Charity Fund	\$26,289	YMCA of the Prairie	\$63,447
Christian Homes Inc.	\$13,035		
Citizens for Bronze Art	\$23,298	BONUS GRANTS:	
Funk Improvement Council	\$2,066	Most Unique Donors: \$200 each	
Funk Community School Center	\$28,053	◆ Holdrege Teammates	
Future Fund	\$10,572	◆ Holdrege Public Schools Foundation	
Holdrege High School Class of 1965	\$1,892	◆ Citizens for Bronze Art	
Holdrege High School Class of 1966	\$4,509	◆ South Platte Youth Athletic Club	
Holdrege American Legion Baseball Inc.	\$14,439	◆ Holdrege Area Public Library	
Holdrege Animal Shelter	\$18,136	Random donors: \$200 each	
Holdrege Area Chamber of Commerce	\$1,442	◆ Citizens for Bronze Art- Carole Peterson	
Holdrege Area Public Library	\$16,453	◆ CASA—Ron & Gloria Melbey	
Holdrege Memorial Homes Foundation	\$20,709	◆ Central Community College- Phil Soreide	
Holdrege Public Schools	\$12,779	Donor farthest away from Phelps County : \$300	
Holdrege Rotary Club	\$2,192	◆ Citizens for Bronze Art	
In Zone Loomis Youth Center	\$2,469		
Kiwanis Club of Holdrege	\$1,472		
Lions Club of Bertrand	\$1,799		
Loomis Public Schools	\$2,301		

Visit give2grow.razoo.com to read the final results and to find out how each participant will be utilizing their gifts given through give2Grow.

* Results are preliminary. Dollar amounts are rounded.

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- \$1,796.85—Holdrege Public Schools for iPads
- \$3,917—Holdrege Public Schools for baseball/softball bleachers
- \$30,000—PCDC for the prosperity project
- PCCF BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCRETIONARY GRANT FUND
- \$437—Holdrege Memorial Homes for Kindles for the book club
- \$500—YMCA for supplies to have in-house CPR classes
- \$200—Holdrege Rotary Club for the dictionary project
- \$500—Funk School Community Center for a new sign
- \$500—Holdrege Optimist Club for Swedish Flags and hooks

- \$1,000—Holdrege Optimist Club for flag poles at the cemetery

DESIGNATED FUNDS

- PCCF Richards Endowment Fund—\$12,163.05 to the Holdrege Area Public Library for the elevator
- PCCF Richards Endowment Fund—\$3,621 to the Bertrand Village for park lighting
- PCCF Richards Endowment Fund—\$13,717 to the Bertrand Community School for concession/handicap restroom
- PCCF Richards Endowment Fund—\$27,888 to the Educational Service Unit #11 for the preschool building
- Richards Field of Interest Fund—\$3,203.15 to Holdrege Public Schools for iPads
- Holdrege Rotary Club Designated Fund—\$2,200 for the Teammates bike ride and the Holdrege Optimist Club

- Sandstrom-Bertrand Area Fund—\$5,000 to Bertrand Community School for new concession stand at football/field track complex
- Scheel Family Memorial Fund—\$2,879 to Bertrand Village for park lighting
- Scheel Family Memorial Fund—\$1,283 to Bertrand Community School for concession/handicap restroom
- Wallander Designated Endowed Fund—\$5,000 to Bertrand Community School for concession/handicap restroom
- Wallander Designated Endowed Fund—\$6,736.95 to the Holdrege Area Public Library for the elevator
- PCCF Donald W. and Florence E. Skallberg Endowment Fund—\$5,000 to Loomis Public Schools for the digital trophy case

FUTURE FUND

- \$1,200—Loomis Public Schools for the digital trophy case
- \$500—YMCA of the Prairie for the Duster Mileage Club
- \$800—The Tassel for speaker series
- \$1,000—Holdrege Public Schools for iPads
- \$1,000—Holdrege Public Schools for baseball/softball bleachers
- \$1,000—Bertrand Community Schools for Concession/Handicapp Restrooms
- AGENCY FUNDS
- \$1,500—Bertrand Community School
- \$4,000—Bertrand Community School Foundation
- \$3,500—Holdrege Area Public Library

- \$8,922.54—Holdrege School District #44
- \$200—Loomis Community Endowment
- \$4,081.56—Phelps County Historical Society
- \$5,000—Prairie Sports Association

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*Message from PCCF Board President
Sandra Kraus*



November has been a very exciting month for the Foundation. The give2GROW Phelps County Match Day was held on November 29. We are very proud to have a role in bringing together more than 40 organizations and providing an opportunity for friends, family, businesses, and clubs to donate to their organization's projects.

As President of the Board, I am reminded over and over of the contributions from individuals that have made our Foundation what it is today. Strong leadership brings new ideas and innovative opportunities for charitable giving. We continue to follow our mission statement, which is to enhance the quality of life for the people of Phelps County. Phelps County has been blessed by the generosity of the many donors that have contributed to its growth, and for this we are very grateful. We were able to grant \$178,890 for projects throughout Phelps County during our most recent fiscal year. We granted more than \$130,000 in scholarships.

It is the season of Thanksgiving and we should pause to count our blessings: the freedom of this great country in which we live, its opportunity for achievement and the friendship and confidence it has instilled in us. As Ronald Reagan once said, "Our American tradition of neighbor helping neighbor has always been one of our greatest strengths and most noble traditions." The Foundation's efforts to help our neighbors in Phelps County is also a part of our tradition, and we ask you to consider the Phelps County Community Foundation in the future as part of your charitable giving.

I would like to welcome two new board members, Beverly Hansen and Susan Gustafson; and Drew Carbaugh, administrative assistant. Drew joins an excellent leadership team in Executive Director, Vickie Klein, Lacy Chapman, program associate. They continue to keep board members abreast of opportunities for the Foundation. Hats off to our entire staff for their dedication and superb efforts for give2Grow Phelps County Match Day!

Sandra Kraus

Wishing Everyone Special Blessings in the New Year,

~Vickie Klein, Executive Director~



The Foundation maintains a relationship with professional advisors in our area so that we can work together to maximize benefits to these individuals as they are making their estate plans and other charitable plans. Dave Hunt (Principal Financial) wrote the following article for another publication and gave the Foundation permission to reprint his article.

Dave Hunt

Leave a Lasting Legacy by Dave Hunt

Turn your annual charitable contribution into a lasting legacy by executing a unique financial strategy.

Wealth transfer strategies help ensure your estate will be distributed the way you choose. You may want to provide a meaningful gift for your church or favorite charitable organizations, but you don't want to take a large portion of your estate away from your heirs. Life insurance may allow you to leverage your current gift so you can leave a sizeable benefit for the organization and potentially gain some valuable tax advantages in the process. This gifting concept has been used for many years with great success.

Just this year, a couple in central Nebraska used this gifting technique. They have chosen to pay off a \$250,000 life insurance policy in ten years. Each year they make a tax-deductible charitable contribution to their local foundation for the amount of the premium on the life insurance policy. The Foundation writes a check to the life insurance company to pay the premium on the policy. At the passing of the couple, many local community organizations that are special to the couple will benefit by their generosity. The dollar amount they will leave to their favorite organizations through life insurance is over five times the amount they would have given if they had just written checks directly to the charities.

The concept is very simple - and so is the process! You make a tax deductible charitable contribution to the Phelps County Community Foundation (equal to the premium of a life insurance policy). The Foundation purchases and owns a life insurance policy on you. A letter of intent will be kept on file designating your wishes on how the life insurance proceeds will be distributed. At your passing, checks will be written to the organizations you designated in your letter of intent.

It's never too late to begin thinking about a personal giving plan. If you have a favorite charity you would like to help, the Phelps County Community Foundation can direct you to the most advantageous way to do so. Leave a lasting legacy in your community through gifting tax deductible life insurance. Please contact a legacy gift planner for more information.

New Board Members



Beverly Hansen hails from Bertrand. Bev and her husband, Bob, have a daughter, Sarah, and a son, Jeremy and his wife Cristal. The Hansen's have two grandchildren, Addison and Bishop.

Bev is very active in the Bertrand community volunteering in numerous capacities.

Reading and traveling with her husband, Bob are some of her favorite hobbies.

Bev's service on the Foundation board includes being active in the Finance, Public Awareness and Grants committees.

Susan Gustafson lives in the Funk area. Susan and her husband, Steve, are engaged in a farm/ranch operation. Susan was born in Kearney and has lived in Phelps County for 26 years.



The Gustafson's children include sons, Eric and his wife, Ashley, and Weston. Their daughter Casey Sexton and husband, Matt are expecting the Gustafson's first grandchild in December.

Sue serves on the PCCF Scholarship, Public Awareness and Capital Development Committees.

Drew Carbaugh joins PCCF Staff



Drew Carbaugh joined the Foundation staff in July as a full-time administrative assistant. Drew's previous employment experiences serve as a great benefit to the Foundation.

Drew is a 2003 graduate of Holdrege High School. She and her husband, Chris, have three children, Coy, Claire and Cain.



What do you call a caring, compassionate group of young Phelps County citizens who put their money where their mouth is? *The Future Fund.*

In 2007 about 30 individuals banded together in order to form a "grant club." Each member pays \$10 per month in order to participate in group philanthropy. Once each year the members offer grants to Phelps County groups and organizations. The Future Fund has granted out over \$21,000 to date.



The Future Fund held a recruiting social in November and more than 60 people enjoyed a fun evening at a progressive dinner. Twenty-seven new members joined that evening raising the number of members to 89! The more people belong, the more impact the group will have.

Call the Foundation to find out how easy it is to belong to a group that wants to make a difference. Join the Future Fund today!