

PERKINS COUNTY

Community Foundation Fund

-Pulling the Hi-Line Together to Protect our Future-

2020 Spring Update



ELSIE

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OUR MISSION

The mission of Perkins County Community Foundation Fund is to bring community values to reality by:

- *Providing opportunities to give back through time, talents and/or skills, and financial resources.*
- *Partnering with organizations and community leaders to maximize wealth and human capital.*

OUR VISION

Perkins County is a progressive community promoting socially and economically vibrant activities that enhance a high quality of life in southwest Nebraska.

OUR VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP

Becky Uehling, Co-Chair, Grant
Dennis Demmel, Co-Chair, Grant
Michelle Ross, Treasurer, Elsie
Janet Lagler, Secretary, Grant
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THE PERKINS COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUND IS PROUD TO BE THE LEAD SPONSOR FOR THE "CULTIVATE RURAL LEADERS" TRAINING IN PERKINS COUNTY. PCCFF INVESTED \$2,200 IN THE PROGRAM, WHICH IS BEING TAUGHT BY PERKINS COUNTY NATIVE ANDY LONG. ABOVE ARE THE 19 YOUNG PERKINS COUNTY LEADERS TAKING PART IN THE CLASS. STRONG LEADERSHIP CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SUCCESS AND FAILURE IN TODAY'S RURAL COMMUNITIES. THE "CULTIVATE RURAL LEADERS" TRAINING BRINGS AN IN-PERSON AND INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAM TO RURAL COMMUNITIES. WITH THE ADDITIONAL \$190,000 THAT HAS NOW BEEN ADDED TO THE PCCFF ENDOWMENT, THE PCCFF ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS EAGER AND READY TO PUT MORE FUNDS TOWARDS WORTHWHILE PROGRAMS LIKE THE "CULTIVATE RURAL LEADERS" CLASS.

Public helps PCCFF meet \$190,000 in challenge grants

The generosity of the public helped the Perkins County Community Foundation Fund to support a number of worthwhile causes in Perkins County in 2019. Many of these projects are highlighted on the back of this report. This is exciting! However, what's more exciting is that within the past two months the Perkins County community stepped up in a big way and helped the PCCFF to add an additional \$190,000 to its endowment! The interest of this money will be funneled back into the county and create opportunities for Perkins County in 2020 and beyond.

The PCCFF first met a challenge in early December 2019 that was given to us two years ago by raising \$100,000. Because this challenge was met, the anonymous donor will now give \$50,000 to the fund. Along this two-year journey, another anonymous donor approached the fund with a challenge to raise \$15,000 and in return this donor would donate an additional \$15,000. This was accomplished at the end of December, with an additional \$10,000 being donated! What an exciting achievement for the fund and for the county as a whole! To all of you who gave, thank you!

With \$190,000 added into our endowment, the year of 2020 will be one of intentionality for PCCFF. The 12-member Fund Advisory Committee (FAC) is now in the process of canvassing the county to discover the various needs throughout each community. We are looking for non-profit and governmental groups who want to meet with PCCFF representatives to share visions and ideas and also to share ways in which we can work together to meet the needs of our communities. The PCCFF has approximately \$20,000 available in 2020 to fund projects. If you are the leader or member of one of these entities, and you would like to set up a meeting with us, contact me or any of the other 11 members on the board. Of course, please keep in mind that we will probably not be able to provide all of the money you need, but if your project or goal is in-line with our mission statement, we do want to talk about partnering with you. So, please give us a call. My phone number is 308-352-8527.

Again, thank you for your generosity and support of the PCCFF and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,
Becky Uehling, PCCFF Co-Chair



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Projects Funded by PCCFF....

PCCFF has invested nearly \$52,000 in community projects since its inception. Some of these projects include:

- Southwest Nebraska Community Betterment 2014/2016/2017 housing study and operating
- Good Living Hear Nebraska 2016
- People's Garden started by Methodist Church at the USDA Office 2016
- Perkins County School Diana Tate Scholarship 2016
- Hastings Memorial Library After School Program 2016
- People's Garden 2017
- Perkins County Historical Museum Porch 2017
- Perkins County School FCCLA 2017
- Perkins County School Teammates 2017
- Methodist Church Food Box 2017
- Village of Elsie seniors rental of hall 2018
- Perkins County Historical Museum Exhibit hall 2018
- Village of Elsie town cleanup 2019
- Village of Madrid town cleanup 2019
- Village of Venango town cleanup and football lights 2019
- Hastings Memorial Library mobile tech lab 2019
- Cultivate Rural Leaders Program 2019
- Perkins County Ambulance Dept 2019

Thank you, Challenge Grant Donors....

Adams Lumber, Ron and Marilyn Hanson, Ella Epp, Marla Borowski, Lawrence Smith, Charles Schumacher, Noyes Irrigation, Beverly Hendricks, Larry and Erna Todd, Genie and Gaylord Bishop, Mike and Alyson Carlson, Dr. Cliff and Janie Colglazier, Mike and Marcia Frerichs, Ronda and the late Garry Lawyer, the Grant Group, Darlene Hatch and family, Scott and Debi Osler, Kevin and Monica Poppe, Kevin Ruser, Leon Shaw, Frank and Sandra Anderson, Wayne Burge from the estate of Gerald Burge, Bonnie Dodson, Lucille Foster, Dan and Josie Hughes, Bill Jackman, Patsy Kroeker, Leon and Charlotte Kumor, Delbert Marquardt, Middle of Nowhere Bar & Grill, Keith and Doris Olsen, Ron and Gloria Patrick, Pinnacle Bank, Bill and Carlene Potts, Ryan and Michaela Potts, Ivan and Ann Regier, Joann Smith, Terese Svoboda, in memory of Robert and Delores Swan by Carol Salsmann, Dave and Tracey Swan, Susan Traxler, Tim and Ashley Colglazier, Adams Bank & Trust, Adams Insurance Advisors, Aurora Coop, Glen and Dixie Colson, Dana and Linda Cornelius, Jeanie Daiss, Dennis and Dr. Ruth Demmel, Perry and Lasca Dudden, Val and Tom Foster, Elizabeth Fraser, Dan and Evelyn Gengenbach, Heritage Insurance, Yvonne Hermann, HiLine Coop, Geraldine Klug, Darlene Kuskie, Janet Lagler, John and Kris Long, J.J. and Nicole Long, Diana and Wayne Maupin, Lorene Mercier, Ervin and Marion Oellermann trust, Johnson Publications, Tom and Michelle Ross, John and Carol Salmonson, Sandhills State Bank, Pat Schroeder, Greg and Cheri Sis, Jeff and Wendy Skeels, Don and Kay Softley, Tom and Barb Tines, Aaron and Becky Uehling, Jeff and Rita Wallin, Calvin and Irma Young, Pauline Zwick, Dr. Marvin and Marcia Swan, Imperial Beef, Joel and Lisa Long, Lorain Altig, David Wiebe, Cody and Tana Miller, Tracy Cook, Craig and Stacy Olsen, First Insight Eyecare LLC, Kerry Zingg, Kerry Zingg In Memory of John & Geraldine Zingg and several anonymous donors.

Are you Ready to Help?

Yes, I believe in Perkins County's future and would like to support the PCCFF. All gifts are tax deductible.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____ Sign me up for PCCFF quarterly e-newsletter _____

Please detach panel and return it, along with your gift, to the address below:

**PCCFF Treasurer, 75785 Road 344
Elsie, NE 69134**



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