



Halstead COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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HCF MAKES THE MOST OF MATCHING OPPORTUNITY



PATTERSON
FAMILY FOUNDATION

Thanks to an outpouring of generosity from local individuals, businesses

and organizations, HCF recently achieved a significant milestone – meeting a \$70,000 matching opportunity from the Patterson Family Foundation and raising more than \$150,000 to support projects, non-profits and scholarship programs in the community.

Contributions raised through the match helped significantly enhance several of HCF’s funds, strengthening the foundation’s capacity to support a variety of community initiatives now and in the years to come. From providing resources for local organizations and community events to leveraging funds for local infrastructure projects, these valuable contributions allow the foundation to play a crucial role in maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in Halstead.

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed during our 2024 Patterson Family Foundation matching campaign. HCF appreciates your support!



HCF OFFICE NOW OPEN

Stop by and see us in our new office at 306 Main Street! We are excited to have a downtown presence as we work to make a greater impact in our community. Special thanks to former HCF board member Bill Charlsen for his generous use of the space and to all who stopped in Oct. 12 for our open house and ribbon cutting.

GRANTS SUPPORT COMMUNITY PROJECTS

HCF awarded \$5,000 to six area non-profit organizations this past spring to support programming and projects that impact a wide range of community members. Below is a list of the 2024 grant recipients:

- Halstead Cloverleaf 4-H Club** - Main Street Beautification
- Halstead First United Methodist Church** - Perishable Foods Vouchers
- Halstead Senior Center** - Adopt-A-Meal Program
- Halstead Interfaith Council** - Community Vacation Bible School
- Kansas Learning Center for Health** - Creating Healthy and Safe Spaces
- Neighbors Store** - Neighbors Utility Fund

Additionally, HCF awarded the **Halstead Housing Authority** a \$1,000 disaster relief grant to assist with cleanup following the May 19 storm.

The next HCF Grant Cycle will open in March 2025.

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HELP HCF SPREAD SOME CHEER THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

New this year, HCF is partnering with two worthy causes to help make the season merry and bright for our community. Your \$100 donation supports the local Wreaths Across America project, buying three wreaths to place on the graves of veterans laid to rest in Halstead Cemetery. It also benefits the Sons of the American Legion's (SALs) annual Christmas for Kids program, which purchases presents for children in the community and helps ensure families have resources to celebrate the holidays with joy.

Contributions can be made online using the QR code, or checks made payable to HCF can be mailed to P.O. Box 4, Halstead, KS 67056. Funds will also be accepted during the HCF Giving Tuesday Open House, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 306 Main Street. Make your donation on or before Dec. 3 or visit us on Giving Tuesday to be eligible for door prizes.



HCF WELCOMES NEW STAFF

Macey Mueller has proudly called Halstead home for nearly a decade and is excited to serve as HCF Associate Director. Her 20-year career in communications and public relations includes extensive work in higher education, advocacy and development.

Macey is married to Josh, a fourth-generation farmer and rancher in Halstead, and together they have four children. Since moving to the area, Macey has been involved with several civic groups, nonprofits and USD 440. She looks forward to using her organizational and fundraising experience and her community connections to create visibility and growth for the Halstead Community Foundation.

Macey can be reached at macey@centralkansascf.org or 316-251-2434.



SAVE THE DATE

CHRISTMAS JINGLE

SATURDAY, DEC. 7
DOWNTOWN HALSTEAD

Make plans to join HCF for the community's annual Christmas Jingle, featuring kids activities, caroling, horse-drawn wagon rides down Main Street, visits with Santa and much more! Watch for fliers around town or follow HCF on Facebook for more information.