NOVEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

HCF EXCEEDS \$100,000 PFF MATCH OPPORTUNITY

We did it – and then some! Thanks to our generous community, HCF didn't just meet our Patterson Family Foundation (PFF) \$100,000 match – we doubled it with a whopping \$202,000 in donations!

This incredible success means more resources for our local nonprofits, more scholarships for our HHS graduates and more opportunities to strengthen Halstead's future together. We are grateful for the outpouring of support that really emphasizes the power of our small but mighty community.

Not only did we exceed our PFF match, we also quadrupled our donor base from last year's campaign. From individuals and families to businesses and organizations, Halstead stepped up in a big way, which further proves that when our community comes together, amazing things happen.

Yet another exciting highlight from this year's match campaign includes establishing these five new funds to provide scholarships for Halstead students, strengthen a local organization and support community improvement projects:

P.E.O. Chapter AK Scholarship Fund Annetta (Unruh) Howard Family Kindness Award Fund Halstead Life Church Impact Fund Halstead Parks Improvement Fund Wedgewood Golf Course Improvement Fund

We are thankful for the donors who had a vision to make these new funds possible and to everyone who made a donation, participated in a 12 Days of Christmas in July event and supported our efforts on social media. HCF is thrilled to continue growing a lasting impact in Halstead for generations to come!

CHRISTMAS JINGLE SET FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 6

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!

New this year, HCF will light up Riverside Park with the first phase of a new Christmas light display. Join us for the lighting of the trees as we brighten the season together!

Watch for fliers around town or follow HCF on Facebook for times and more information.



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HHS VISITS NYC



More than 30 Halstead High School choir students and their director Claire Clifford took their incredible talents to New York City's Carnegie Hall in May. Along the way, they proudly sported their I ♥ Halstead t-shirts on the streets of NYC. HCF was honored to help support this once-in-alifetime opportunity for these deserving performers.

MAKE A LOCAL IMPACT WITH YEAR-END GIVING

As the year comes to a close, many of us reflect on the people, places and experiences that have shaped our lives, and we consider ways to give back. One of the most meaningful ways to make a difference is supporting local causes that matter most to you.

Through HCF, your year-end gift can be directed to areas that align with your interests, involvement and passions. Whether you care about education, historic preservation, youth programs or community improvements, your contribution stays local and creates lasting impact.

Giving through HCF is more than a donation – it's an investment in the community you love. When we each give where our heart is, we strengthen the organizations that make Halstead thrive and ensure our hometown remains a place of opportunity for generations to come.

No matter the size, your gift makes a difference. As you plan your yearend giving, consider how your generosity can spark positive change right here at home. Visit givehalstead.org for more information.

HCF SPREADS MID-YEAR CHEER WITH FESTIVE FUN

Thank you, Halstead, for showing up, giving back and helping us kick off a fantastic match month with our first ever 12 Days of





Christmas in July. A special thanks to our volunteers who helped make each event a success—we could not have done it without you!



