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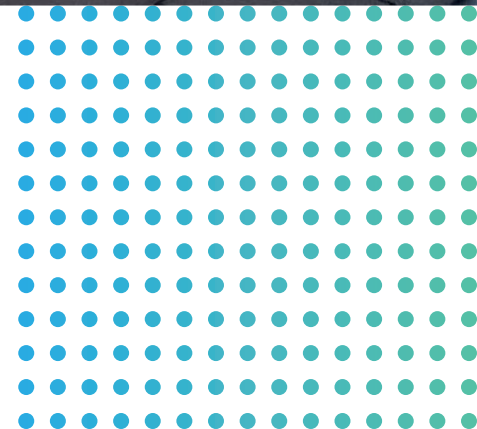
Report

2024

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

**POST ROCK
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

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BOARD CHAIR'S LETTER



JOHN BAETZ

Dear Donors and Friends,

As we reflect on the past year, it's clear that 2024 brought its share of challenges. Fluctuating markets and extreme weather created a volatile climate.

In spite of that economic uncertainty, the supporters of the Post Rock Community Foundation came out in full force and helped the PRCF post a record-breaking fundraising year.

During the summer of 2024, the Post Rock Community Foundation was given a wonderful opportunity to "Double the Impact" on all gifts to the Post Rock Community Action Fund, the unrestricted grant fund which supports all of Lincoln County and the communities served by USD #298 and #299. The second chance match was added to match month donations from February.

During February's match month, the Dane G. Hansen Foundation generously matched gifts up to \$50,000 with a 200% match. Later, the Patterson Family Foundation announced a 100% match on donations up to \$70,000. Donations in February totaled \$56,680. After that, the challenge was on to meet the rest of the Patterson match, and the Patterson Family Foundation generously allowed the PRCF a second chance to meet the \$70,000 goal.

In late July through the third week of August, donors gave a total of \$14,430 as part of the "Double the Impact" initiative, allowing the PRCF to realize the full match offered by the Patterson Family Foundation. In all, \$71,110 was contributed to the Post Rock Community Action Fund during matching campaigns in 2024. With the matching funds offered from the Dane G. Hansen and Patterson Family Foundations, the total community impact was just short of a quarter of a million dollars, with the final total at \$241,110.

The Post Rock Community Foundation would like to express our deepest appreciation to the Patterson Family Foundation, the Dane G. Hansen Foundation, and all donors who gave to one or both campaigns in 2024.

At the root of all we do is family. Our families in the Post Rock area benefit from grant projects now, and donations are growing funds for grant projects in the future. Together, we are making a difference in the Post Rock area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Baetz", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John Baetz, PRCF Board Chair

ADVISORY BOARD

Board members from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

John Baetz, Chair
Joe Biggs, Vice-Chair
Marj Aufdemberge, Secretary

Tyler Gier
Sarah Heller
Kally Keller
Sandy Labertew
Katie Meyer
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OUR MISSION

Our mission is to help people invest in meaningful ways to make a difference in the community by building permanent endowment funds and meeting charitable community needs.

REGIONAL STAFF

We are an affiliate of the Greater Salina Community Foundation.

Jessica Martin, President & Executive Director
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Jessica Fuller, Director of Grants & Scholarships
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Leah Wilson, Marketing & Communications Coordinator

FOUNDING & SUSTAINING DONORS

FOUNDERS

INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

Stan & Sandy Labertew
Tim & Janet Meyer

BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS

The Bank of Tescott
The Bennington State Bank
Carrico Implement
Citizens State Bank & Trust Co.
Wilson State Bank

SUSTAINERS

INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

Marjorie Aufdemberge
L. Eileen Broberg
Janice Bryan
Jerry & Patricia Davis
D'Avalon Durham
Michael & Lucille Heller
Scott Kingery
Leo & Joanne Klameth
Stan & Sandy Labertew
Frances Lopata
Dan & Lynne Metz
Lou Belle Meyer
Ryan & Kaitlin Meyer
Tim & Janet Meyer
Barry & Jane Murphy
Joyce Shambaugh
Gary & Ruth Sorensen
Roger & Susan Staats
Derek & Ashley Vonada
Lewis & Janet Watson

SUSTAINERS

BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS

The Bank of Tescott Lincoln Branch
The Bennington State Bank
Blue Hill Masonic Lodge #198
Carrico Implement
Central Valley Ag
Citizens State Bank & Trust Co.
Dane G. Hansen Foundation
Grace Chapel United Methodist Church
Kansas Health Foundation
L. Eileen Broberg Trust
Lincoln County Historical Society
Lincoln High School Alumni Association
Lincoln Lodge #154
Luray Alumni Association
Meyer Land & Cattle Co.
Mildred & Rolland Middlekauff Foundation
Salina Regional Health Foundation
Sylvan Area Foundation
Stanley L. & Lucy Lopata Charitable Foundation
Wilson State Bank

FEATURE GRANT STORY

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USD #299 - Growth Meets Opportunity

Total Awarded = \$35,455.76

USD #299 received multiple grants from the Post Rock Community Foundation during Fiscal Year 2024. A common theme among several requests was the growth in students attending the school district. When Wilson High School closed, a number of students began attending Sylvan-Lucas schools. Staff made plans for the influx of students and reached out to the community foundation for grant help.

Projects supported by grant funds included USD 299 Welding Class Need, Instrument Repair Project, Nex-Generation Ameritowne, Art Department Tools, HS Stage Update Project, Sylvan-Lucas Booster Club Advertisement Project, Flex Space Balance Ball Seats, 95% Initiative, and Building Bricks for Cooperative Learning and S.T.E.A.M. Development.

"The introduction of the new welders into the Sylvan-Lucas welding shop was so well received by the students. The first day the welders were assembled, we had an older welder break down for the day. This meant the welders went right to work. The most important goal I had was the availability of welders for a large number of students. The positive environment has resulted in more productivity, students are coming up with more and more ideas and are already talking about next year," stated Devon Walter, Industrial Education Teacher.



Post Rock Community Action Fund, Dane G. Hansen

Community Grant Fund, and the Sylvan Area Fund

Jennifer Feldkamp, Band Director, shared, "Our goal, in applying for this grant, was to get instruments into the hands of more kids. It was so wonderful to have an instrument ready to go when we received two new students in junior high in the last 6 weeks of school. They had never had the opportunity to participate in a band before and were so excited to participate. The joy on their faces when I told them they could take the instruments home to practice was so rewarding! We



are so thankful to the Post Rock Community Foundation for helping keep the Fine Arts alive and thriving at Sylvan-Lucas Unified Schools!"

Through grant funding, Post Rock Community Foundation was able to respond to educational and community needs and the students are noticing the support. Grantee Stephanie Svaty shared about their day in Ameritowne in Lenora, KS, "Our 6th graders chose Post Rock Community Foundation as their non-profit organization. The students raised \$96.70 for the Post Rock Community." Impact today, Transform tomorrow!

We are so thankful to the Post Rock Community Foundation for helping keep the fine arts alive and thriving at Sylvan-Lucas Unified Schools!

GRANTS AWARDED

The Community Foundation accepts and reviews applications twice a year to address current community needs. This year, the committee awarded over \$137,766 to 19 projects throughout Lincoln County and communities served by USD 298 & 299.

Note: These grants do not include grants from our donor-directed funds.



Bethlehem Lutheran Church- "A Mural of Music"

Post Rock Community Action Fund- \$2,857

This grant assisted with the funding needed to have a digital carillon professionally installed in the bell tower of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Sylvan Grove. This system is heard throughout the community. While in the bell tower installing the speakers, they noticed the inscription on the original bell that is used to call to service every Sunday. It was dedicated December of 1898, 125 years ago. Now we have the sounds of new technology to accompany the familiar sounds from the past. Cheryl Gier, Parishioner, stated, "We are excited to share beautiful music with the Sylvan Grove community and those who visit."



Sylvan Senior Center- SSC Farmers Elevator Courtyard/Patio

Dane G. Hansen Community Grant Fund- \$16,610

The Sylvan Senior Center has been working to renovate the old Farmers Elevator Building on Main Street in Sylvan Grove, KS, which is part of Sylvan Grove's historical district. With grant funds, they had a large patio poured with a high stem wall to prevent flooding into the area and added a drainage system. The view to the east is now beautiful, the patio/courtyard will enhance the experience for those who use the events center, and our building is protected from damage by water runoff. Lorelei Dohl, Sylvan Senior Center President, said "We are greatly appreciative to the Post Rock Community Foundation for all of your support on this specific project and to the project in general."



USD #298- Robotics Competition

Post Rock Community Action Fund- \$1,995

The school took 21 students to their first Robotics Competition at Fort Hays University in March 2024. The students spent several days after school building and coding the robots. Critical thinking and engineering skills were used greatly as they had to rethink and redo codes and rebuild their robots several times. There are about 28 students interested in going to another competition in April. Teacher Mindy Wiebke shared, "I feel this program will continue to grow and be more successful as we learn more about coding and computer science."

GRANT RECIPIENTS

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COMPETITIVE:

Barnard Rural Fire Department
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
City of Lincoln - Lincoln Recreation
Department
City of Sylvan Grove
Hunter Economic Development Corp
Lincoln Art Center
Lincoln County Economic Development
Foundation
Lincoln County Hospital
Luray Community Foundation
Luray Historical Society
NCK Outdoors Inc.
Sylvan Grove Public Library
Sylvan Senior Center
Trinity Lutheran Church
USD 298
USD 299
Vesper Community Center

DONOR-DIRECTED:

First Presbyterian Church
Friends of S.P. Dinsmoor's Garden of Eden, Inc.
Grace Chapel United Methodist Church
Kansas State University Foundation
Lincoln Art Center
Lincoln County Hospital & Healthcare
Foundation
Lucas Area Community Theater, Inc.
Lucas Medical Foundation
Sylvan Historical Society



Over \$142,000 was granted to 26 local organizations to support their missions and preserve our rural way of life. These grants are distributed annually from funds held at PRCF on behalf of our donors and generous people like you who choose to impact today and transform tomorrow!

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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Lincoln High School Alumni Association Scholarship

Ashley McBride
Cloud County Community College

Branden Sinclair
Cloud County Community College

Wilson-Langley Fund for Luray

Emma Cline, Sterling College
Emma Finkenbinder,
Fort Hays Tech | North Central
Lucile Harp,
Fort Hays Tech | North Central
Kolton Palmer, Salina Area Technical
College



I would like to thank you for your generosity for providing funding for the Lincoln High School Alumni Association Scholarship. This scholarship will greatly help me with the expenses of tuition and books. I am very grateful and would like to thank everyone who is able to make this scholarship possible.

**Ashley McBride, Cloud County Community College
Lincoln High School Alumni Association Scholarship**



Thank you for your generosity in providing a scholarship to help me and other students pursue their future endeavors. I am grateful to have been selected as one of the students receiving this scholarship. I know it takes generosity, dedication and faith in young adults to supply us with scholarships and I am appreciative of this opportunity.

**Lucile Harp, Fort Hays Tech | North Central
Wilson-Langley Fund for Luray Student Academic
Scholarship**

\$4,050

AWARDED

Patterson Family Foundation

Rooted in Rural.

Committed to your community.

Established in 2007, the Patterson Family Foundation is a family-led foundation based in Kansas City, Missouri. It extends the legacy of Neal and Jeanne Patterson to continue helping those who need it most.

Their mission, "Working together to help rural communities thrive," is carried forward through strategic grantmaking and other collaborative initiatives that serve rural counties across Kansas and western Missouri. Learn more at www.pattersonfamilyfoundation.org

Create value and good things will happen - Neal Patterson



Neal and Jeanne Patterson



Partnering with People: Rural Community Foundation Match Program

The Patterson Family Foundation partners with the Kansas Association of Community Foundations (KACF) to provide up to \$70,000 in matching funds to qualifying community foundations (like Post Rock Community Foundation) as a way to support their match events. This initiative is designed to stimulate local philanthropy within rural areas across its catchment area of Kansas and northwestern Missouri communities.

Post Rock Community Foundation has received \$130,353 in matching dollars for its Match Month since partnering with the Patterson Family Foundation in 2023.

10 OUR FUND TYPES

The Community Foundation offers several different fund types to help you meet your charitable giving needs. Contact us to talk more about which one is the best fit for you. See a list of our current funds on page 13.

Designated Funds

provide a permanent source of income to support your favorite charities long after you are gone. You select the charities you want to support and we make annual grants in your name forever.

Field of Interest Funds

respond to current and future needs by letting you support a specific cause (arts, health, youth, etc.) or geographic area, rather than a specific charity. Grants are determined by a local committee.

Provisional Funds

provide a short-term vehicle to collect charitable donations for a community project or public-private partnership.

Unrestricted Funds

support current and future community needs. Grants are determined by a local committee.

Donor Advised Funds

are simple and flexible "charitable savings accounts," that let you be involved in the grantmaking. You make a tax-deductible gift, and then recommend how the money should be granted each year.

Organization Funds

offer a simple and efficient way for your nonprofit to build capacity and provide long-term support for your mission through permanent endowed and non-endowed funds for more immediate needs.

Scholarship Funds

support student education and impact our future leaders. You help set the scholarship criteria and can also be involved in the selection process.

Funds for the Future

are permanent funds that are established by donors at the end of their lifetime through their will or trust. They can be any of these fund types.



L. Eileen Broberg Fund

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Eileen Broberg was born and raised in rural Lincoln County. After graduating high school, Eileen attended Kansas State University where she graduated magna cum laude and went on to earn two masters degrees.

Eileen was a bacteriologist and became a "legend" in the Microbiology department at Wesley Medical Center. She also taught Microbiology to hundreds of Medical Technology students, many of whom are still in the work force today. After Eileen retired, she moved back to Lincoln County where she lived until she died on December 1, 2017.

Prior to Eileen's death, she established a designated fund in her name that makes annual distributions to support the following three areas that were important to her:

- Scholarships to benefit students studying pre-medical technology or related courses of study at Kansas State University
- Lincoln Art Center
- Post Rock Community Action Fund to support current and future needs of the Post Rock area.

Since the fund was established in 2015, the fund has granted over \$11,000 to those three areas of interest, and the fund balance has increased by 37% with no additional gifts being made.



Luray Historical Society for Wyatt's Adventure to Save history



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FOUNDATION FUNDS



This list includes all PRCF funds established as of June 30, 2024. If you believe there is an error, or we need to make a correction, please contact us.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Post Rock Administrative Fund

DESIGNATED

Blue Hill Masonic Lodge #198 A.F. & A.M. Legacy Fund
Forrest D. Meyer Fund for the 1st Presbyterian Church
L. Eileen Broberg Designated Fund
Lincoln Masonic Lodge #154 Designated Fund
Robert Durham Trust for the Friends of S.P. Dinsmoor's
Garden of Eden Fund
Robert Durham Trust for the Lucas Area Community
Theater Fund
Sylvan Historical Society Designated Fund

FIELD OF INTEREST

Dane G. Hansen Community Grant Fund - Post Rock
Kansas Health Foundation Fund for Post Rock
Post Rock Healthy Living Fund
Sylvan Area Fund
Tim and Janet Meyer Fund for the Post Rock Area Fund
Wilson-Langley Fund for Luray

ORGANIZATION

Grace Chapel United Methodist Church Fund
Lincoln County Historical Society Fund

SCHOLARSHIP

DESIGNATED

Oris & Barbara Kingery Community Scholarship Fund

TRADITIONAL

Lincoln High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund
Wilson-Langley Fund for Luray

UNRESTRICTED

Patterson Family Foundation Fund- Post Rock*
Post Rock Community Action Fund

FUNDS FOR THE FUTURE

Jack & Kathie Crispin

*Denotes new fund

DONOR LIST

*This list includes gifts made between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024.
Please contact us with any errors on how your name is listed.*

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Individuals & Families

Coleen Ancell
Marj Aufdemberge
Mark & Jane Berkley
Mike & Debbie Berkley
Joe & Krista Biggs
Michael & Patricia Biggs
Duane & Jeri Brozek
Wayne & Shirley Brozek
Janice Bryan
Bill & Joni Bunker
Wilma Burger
Donna P. Carver
Maurita Cederberg
Michael & Becky Cheney
Jack & Kathie Crispin
Jerry & Patricia Davis
Lorelei Dohl
Tess Dunkel-McKnight
D'Avalon Durham
Mitch & Sharon Errebo
Michael & Lisa Feldkamp
Brenda Frederking
Ronald & Leesa Frederking
Jean Ann Gedney
David & Mona Gerstmann
Leigh Geyer
Dell & Cheryl Gier
Leo G. & Marian K. Gier
Lois Gier
Tyler Gier
Jim & Kelly Gourley
Rose Gourley
Ronald & Vikki Grady
James L. Hammer & Cindy
Entriiken
Joyce Harlow
Dan Healy
Dorene Healy
Jim & Tina Heier
Greg & Kathy Heinze
Jarrod & Kris Heinze
Michael & Lucille Heller

Terry & Ann Heller
Charlene Marie Hewitt-Yager
Patricia L. Houghton
Marlin Dee Jeffers
Karen Jeffers
Wanda Jepsen
Max & Kally Keller
Mitchell Keller
Morgan Keller
Ray & Richelle Keller
Jay Kelly
David & Jill King
Barbara Kingery
Scott Kingery
Nancy Knapp
Gwen Knight
Jerret & Tara Kubick
Kristen Kuntz
Ben & Angie Labertew
Stan & Sandy Labertew
Edward Larson
Stephanie Lloyd
Vernon & Martha Lohmann
Frances Lopata
Jamie & Betsy Meeks
Clifford & Vivian Meier
Richard & Kay Mettlen
Dan & Lynne Metz
Chris & Pam Meyer
Ryan & Kaitlin Meyer
Ralph & Marsha Mingle
Kathy Moss
Brock & Ruth Mueller
Barry & Jane Murphy
N. C. Newell
Jerry & Phyllis Oetting
Lorraine Oman
Jerry & Becky Ostermann
Michael & Elaine Parrish
Theo Philbrick
Randall & Krystal Pickering
Jill Ptacek
Becky Rathbun

Delilah Rathbun
Larry & Ladonna Reinert
Glenn & Sharon Ringler
Mike & Sara Rosebrook
Thomas Schmeidler
Joyce Schneider
Steve Schneider, Jr.
Steven & Pamela Schneider
Joyce Shambaugh
Richard & Sarah Short
Ardene Smith
Gary & Ruth Sorensen
Roger & Susan Staats
Jude & Rachel Stecklein
Craig & Mary Ann Stertz
Mike & Connie Street
Douglas & GERALYN Sulsar
Russell Tate & Lisa Manning
Dean & Eunice Thaemert
Denise Tipton
Damon & Janet Vonada
Donna Vonada
David & Lynn Wacker
Emilie Wacker
Loretta Waddell
Lester & Lois Walter
Michael & Robin Ward
Lewis Watson
Mike & Kathy Weatherman
Gwen Wehrman
Bill & Beverly Wiese
Phillip Wilkerson
Jerry & Lleana Wollesen
Ryan & Heather Wolting
David & Natalie Wood
Bruce & Karen Wright

Businesses & Organizations

181 AG Supply Inc
AgMark, LLC
Bennington State Bank
Central Kansas Lawn & Tree
Service

Citizens State Bank & Trust Co.
City of Barnard
City of Hunter
City of Lincoln
City of Sylvan Grove
Dane G. Hansen Foundation
Family Hair Flair, LLC
Farmway Credit Union of Beloit,
Lincoln, Mankato & Osborne
First Presbyterian Church
Grace Chapel United Methodist
Church
Hunter Rural Fire Department
Insurance Works
Lincoln County Economic
Development Foundation
Lincoln High School Alumni
Association
Lucas Area Chamber of Commerce
Luray Community Pride
Pack & Go Tours, LLC
Randan, Inc.
Rolling Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Sarah Heller Photography, LLC
Schwerdtfager Masonry, LLC
Sylvan Grove Fair & Agriculture
Association
Sylvan Lucas FFA
Sylvan Senior Center
The Bank of Tescott- Lincoln
Branch
The Bank of Tescott- Tescott
Branch
Wireready, Inc.

Memorials

Janice Bryan
Louise Feldkamp
Connie Meitler
Tim & Janet Meyer
Phyllis Vaupel

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OUR STATS



\$145K

GRANTS &
SCHOLARSHIPS



\$2.7M

TOTAL ASSETS



\$492K

GIFTS RECEIVED



\$241.1K

MATCH MONTH
IMPACT

Match Results

\$56,680 Raised (Spring 2024)

\$14,430 Raised (Summer 2024) "Double The Impact"*

\$50,000 Dane G. Hansen Foundation Match (Unrestricted Fund)

\$45,000 Dane G. Hansen Foundation Match (Administrative Endowment)

\$5,000 Dane G. Hansen Foundation (Operations)

\$70,000 Patterson Family Foundation Match

\$241,110 TOTAL IMPACT

*donations will be reflected in fiscal year 2025 donor list

FINANCIALS

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(JUNE 30, 2024)

ASSETS	2024
Cash	\$39,149
Investments	\$2,680,934
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,720,083
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$3,474
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,474
NET ASSETS	
Fund Balance- Principal	\$1,853,586
Fund Balance- Income	\$862,023
Fund Balance- Spendable	\$1,000
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$2,716,609
TOTAL LIABILITIES + NET ASSETS	\$2,720,083

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

(JULY 1, 2023-JUNE 30, 2024)

REVENUES	2024
Gifts & Bequests- Principal	\$442,098
Gifts & Bequests- Income	\$50,000
Administrative Fee Revenue	\$25,866
Dividend Income	\$40,843
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investments	\$295,271
Grant Income	\$10,000
TOTAL REVENUE	\$864,078
EXPENSES	
Grants Authorized	\$140,988
Grants Authorized- Internal	\$25,866
Scholarships Awarded	\$4,050
Administrative Fees	\$18,164
Operating Expenses	\$8,278
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$197,346
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$666,732

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

VANGUARD INVESTMENT POOL (as of June 30, 2024)

2nd Quarter 2024	+2.2%	Average Expense Ratio:
Calendar YTD	+8.42%	3 basis points (.03%)
Trailing 1 Year	+15.0%	
Trailing 3 Years	+3.2% Annualized	
Trailing 5 Years	+8.8% Annualized	
Trailing 10 Years	+7.8% Annualized	



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With Us



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