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Our Mission
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.

Giving Opportunities:
• By mail or in person:
  504 4th Avenue
  Holdrege, NE 68949

• Online
  Visit us on the web at:
  www.phelpsfoundation.org
  Click the 'Donate' button

confirmed in compliance with national standards for U.S. community foundations.

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

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<th>Total Dollars Raised:</th>
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| Bertrand Community Foundation | $25,230 |
| Bertrand Nursing Home and Assisted Living | $294 |
| Bertrand School Community Foundation | $3,215 |
| Bertrand School Media Center Renovation | $1,112 |
| Bertrand Village Charitable Fund | $583 |
| Bertrand Young at Heart Senior Center | $12,525 |
| CASA | $8,682 |
| Central Community College | $1,101 |
| Christian Charity Fund | $26,289 |
| Christian Homes Inc. | $13,035 |
| Citizens for Bronze Art | $23,298 |
| Funk Improvement Council | $2,066 |
| Funk Community School Center | $28,053 |
| Future Fund | $10,572 |
| Holdrege High School Class of 1965 | $1,892 |
| Holdrege High School Class of 1966 | $4,509 |
| Holdrege American Legion Baseball Inc. | $14,439 |
| Holdrege Animal Shelter | $18,136 |
| Holdrege Area Chamber of Commerce | $1,442 |
| Holdrege Area Public Library | $16,453 |
| Holdrege Memorial Homes Foundation | $20,709 |
| Holdrege Public Schools | $12,779 |
| Holdrege Rotary Club | $2,192 |
| In Zone Loomis Youth Center | $2,469 |
| Kiwanis Club of Holdrege | $1,472 |
| Lions Club of Bertrand | $1,799 |
| Loomis Public Schools | $2,301 |
| Mosaic | $8,320 |
| Optimist Club of Holdrege | $3,365 |
| Phelps Community Pantry | $13,072 |
| Phelps County 4-H Foundation | $1,322 |
| Phelps County Historical Society | $14,217 |
| Phelps County Senior Citizen Center | $27,924 |
| Phelps Memorial Health Center | $1,205 |
| Phelps Memorial Service League | $8,464 |
| South Platte Youth Athletic Club, Inc. | $15,734 |
| Tassel Coordination Council | $17,863 |
| TeamMates Mentoring Program | $7,103 |
| Village of Bertrand | $7,694 |
| Village of Loomis | $4,145 |
| YMCA of the Prairie | $63,447 |

**BONUS GRANTS:**
Most Unique Donors: $200 each

• Holdrege Teammates
• Holdrege Public Schools Foundation
• Citizens for Bronze Art
• South Platte Youth Athletic Club
• Holdrege Area Public Library

Random donors: $200 each

• Citizens for Bronze Art - Carole Peterson
• CASA—Ron & Gloria Melbey
• Central Community College- Phil Soreide

Donor farthest away from Phelps County: $300

* Results are preliminary. Dollar amounts are rounded.
HONORARY GIFTS
in honor of

ENHANCEMENT FUND
Bob & Felsa Lenon’s 70th Wedding Anniversary

PCCF SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Susie and Gary Nation’s wedding

The preceding Honorary Gifts were given by:
Dr. & Mrs. Stuart P. Embury
Mr. & Mrs. Timothy E. Hoefelt

OTHER GIFTS

COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND
Mrs. Lois Carlson
Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Hohensee
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Huston
Ms. Lesa A. Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Kindschuh
Mr. & Mrs. Marlo Kreutzer
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Mr. & Mrs. Don Wohlgemuth

FUTURE FUND
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Anderson
Mr. & Mrs. Cory Chapman
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Mrs. Kara Faber
Mr. & Mrs. Bruce C. Hendrickson
Mr. & Mrs. Brett Htetryk
Mr. & Mrs. Kellern M. Jacobs
Mr. & Mrs. Chad Jacobson
Mr. & Mrs. Bradley R. Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Jed Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Lantz
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lawrence
Mr. Justin Luthy & Ms. Katie Messer
Mr. & Mrs. Seth Mach
Mr. & Mrs. Katie Madison
Mr. & Mrs. Alexander H. McClymont
Mrs. Samantha Minnick
Mr. & Mrs. Timothy J. Moomey
Mr. Matt Mueller
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Olson
Mrs. Roy Pearson
Mr. & Mrs. Grant Pfeifer
Mr. & Mrs. Reed Philips
Dr. Wayne & Jerrie Quincy
Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Reinhberg
Mr. & Mrs. C. Ivan Samuelson
Mr. & Mrs. Keith Samuelson
Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Sand
Mr. & Mrs. Brock Sandy
Dr. William M. & Pamela Sandy
Mr. Monte Schultz
Mrs. Destine Steineke
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard A. Streff
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Sweeney
Mr. & Mrs. Luke Thorell
Mr. Ted Titus
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Weller
Ms. Diana L. Watson
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Weidies
Mr. & Mrs. Shane Westcott

HOLDREGE FIREFIGHTERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Grant Erickson

HOLDREGE ANIMAL SHELTER FUND
Mrs. Patti Simpson

PCCF BOARD MEMBER-MATCHING GIFT FUND
Mrs. Claudia Philips

PHPELS COUNTY PANTRY FUND
Mr. & Mrs. Ryan L. Bauer
Home Federal Savings & Loan
Association of Nebraska

PASS THROUGH FUND
Mr. Don Pollan

PRAIRIE SPORTS ASSOCIATION FUND
Mr. & Mrs. Michael K. Corkery
Mr. & Mrs. Michael A. Drain
Lisa Jelden
Mr. Brad Stolz
Tina Wiese
Mr. & Mrs. Greg Yochum

TASSEL COORDINATION COUNCIL FUND
Beeton Dickinson

TEAMMATES OF HOLDREGE DESIGNATED EXPENDABLE FUND
Joyce Mills
Teammates of Holdrege

YMCA OF THE PRAIRIE ENDOWED FUND
Harriet Meyers

GRANTS

PHPELS COUNTY COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND
$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

PCGF Richards Endowment Fund—$12,163.05 to the Holdrege Area Public Library for the elevator

PCGF Richards Endowment Fund—$3,621 to the Bertrand Village for park lighting

PCGF Richards Endowment Fund—$1,283 to Bertrand Community School for concession/handicap restroom

PCGF 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

$3,621 to the Bertrand Village for handicap restroom

Sandstrom-Bertrand Area Fund—$5,000 to Bertrand Community School for new concession stand at football field track complex

Scheel Family Memorial Fund—$2,679 to Bertrand Village for park lighting

Scheel Family Memorial Fund—to $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

PCGF Donald W. and Florence E. Skallberg Endowment Fund—$5,000 to Loomis Public Schools for the digital trophy case

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$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/Handicap Restrooms

AGENCY FUNDS
$1,500—Bertrand Community School

$4,000—Bertrand Community Schools Foundation

$3,500—Holdrege Area Public Library

FUTURE FUND
$8,922.54—Holdrege School District #44

$200—Loomis Community Endowment

$4,081.56—Phelps County Historical Society

$5,000—Prairie Sports Association

Distributions were made from the following

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Given between April 1, 2012—October 31, 2012

PCCF BOARD MEMBER-
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 for 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!

Wishing Everyone Special Blessings in the New Year,

~Vickie Klein, Executive Director~

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 donation 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 donation 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 call the Foundation at 402-826-3100 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.

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!