

2010 ANNUAL REPORT





Giving Voice

As the Sunflower Foundation celebrates its 10-year anniversary, our annual report theme, Giving Voice, seems a fitting tribute to the many Kansans that we have been honored to serve in our first decade. Their diverse voices reveal the passion and commitment of people helping others.

In 2010, much of our work focused on empowering our grantees and their leaders to advocate for the causes, communities and people they serve. In this report, you will meet a few of the Kansans behind the work of the Sunflower Foundation. Some of the people responded to our call for stories as a celebration of our 10-year milestone. And some joined their voices with others across the state in a campaign to create smoke-free public places. Their stories and voices continue on our website.

As we look ahead, we challenge ourselves to do even more to empower the voices of Kansans in decisions and activities that affect their health and wellbeing. People matter and their voices need to be heard.

Chris Ruder Board Chair Billie Hall President & CEO





Stories Campaign

In 2010 the Sunflower Foundation is celebrating its 10th anniversary. As we near this milestone, we are compiling stories that share the experience of working with – and on behalf of – the people of Kansas. Our story is really your story and, thus, we are inviting our grantees of the past decade to share stories that demonstrate our shared impact on improving the health of Kansans. Andy Goodman, a recent Sunflower Foundation speaker, believes that "... good causes need to tell good stories." And so we issue a call for Kansas stories to share with our many constituents.

My Father's Guardian Angels

Ana Morales, Storyteller Swope Health Services – Wyandotte County – Kansas City, Kansas 2007 Bridge Grant for Oral Health

Access to primary health care with a focus on eliminating barriers and reducing disparities for the uninsured and underinsured is one of Sunflower Foundation's earliest identified interests. Through its Bridge Grants the foundation has invested over \$6 million in the Kansas health care safety net system with grants to community health centers, local clinics, mental health centers and public health departments that provide primary care and prevention services to vulnerable Kansans. These grants provide transitional financial support for new or expanded services.

The story of Mr. Rodriquez, who first came to Swope Health Services for dental care but who soon became a medical patient there, reveals the life-saving value of access to a full range of health care services.





Stories Campaign

Neighbor to Neighbor

Sister Jean Rosemarynoski, Storyteller Sisters of St. Joseph/Nazareth Convent and Academy Corporation – Concordia, Kansas 2009 Finding Solutions Grant

Through Finding Solutions in Challenging Times, a responsive grantmaking program in 2008 and 2009, Sunflower Foundation helped Kansas nonprofits weather the economic downturn. The awards honored the belief that local community-based organizations are in the best position to develop short-term solutions that keep their organizations strong and able to meet the increasing needs of their clients. Priority consideration was given to organizations that serve low income, uninsured populations and those with such special needs as mental health, food security, social/counseling services, and family and child welfare. The foundation funded 53 proposals for a total of \$1,706,437 across the state for projects that exhibited responsive, creative solutions to meeting the needs of those served by the applicants.

"Neighbor to Neighbor," a project of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Concordia, Kansas, is just one of the grantees reporting significant impact for the individuals and families served as well as some unexpected results in the broader community. The story here is reported with the assistance of Sister Jean Rosemarynoski.





Stories Campaign

Chase County Community Connection Trail

Ruth Childs, Storyteller Community Connection Trail Coalition – City of Strong City, Kansas 2005 Sunflower Trails Grant

Changing the built environment is one strategy to increase physical activity and reduce the prevalence of obesity. In many Kansas communities, there is a need for safe, accessible trails. While individuals must choose to exercise, communities and schools can make that choice easier. The goal of the Sunflower Trails Grants is to improve the health of students, families and communities by creating new or expanded public trails to increase the opportunity for physical activity. The Chase County Community Connection Trail described here is one of 61 trails funded to date, a total foundation investment of \$831,560 since 2005. These trails are winding throughout the landscape as encouragement to healthier lifestyles.





Voices Project

After a decade of observing proposed legislation on public smoking bans die for lack of support in the Kansas Legislature, the Sunflower Foundation decided to develop and support a grassroots campaign, Clean Air Kansas, for the sole objective of getting a statewide law passed that prohibits smoking in public settings. After two years of planning, the campaign was launched in January 2009. Fifteen months later – March 2010 – Kansas Governor Mark Parkinson whose personal commitment and leadership to the issue was significant, signed into law the Kansas Clean Indoor Air Act. The ban on smoking in indoor public places and workspaces, including bars and restaurants, was effective 1 July 2010.

The following voices highlighted on the map are just a few from the thousands of everyday Kansans who took time to share their story and to make a difference ...

map available in online version

The case for protecting the public's health... Published research and studies by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as well as by the U.S. Surgeon General confirm that second-hand smoke is dangerous and prevalent. The effects of passive smoke exposure are harmful and result in serious health consequences to people of all ages. For example, second-hand smoke causes heart disease, lung cancer in adults who themselves have never smoked, and an increased risk of SIDS, sudden infant death syndrome.

What we knew... Going into the campaign for clean indoor air, we knew that we had public opinion and evidence-based science on our side. According to a public opinion poll commissioned in 2007 by the Sunflower Foundation, 71 percent of Kansas voters were in favor of a state law.





Voices Project

What we did... To break the cycle, we hired a national firm that works at the grassroots level to teach us how to mount an effective grassroots campaign. The firm told us what we already had come to know: People matter, and their voices need to be heard. To complement the grassroots advocacy, we hired an experienced Kansas lobbying firm to work with our legislators. We also began an aggressive online advocacy campaign, beginning with a traditional Web-based messaging and media approach and adding social media, including Facebook and Twitter, to our strategies.

What happened... Our work began tentatively in 2009 and in earnest in 2010. In 2009, the Kansas Senate passed a smoking ban bill that was sent to the House and eventually carried over to the 2010 session. During the summer and fall of 2009, the Clean Air Kansas campaign ramped up its grassroots advocacy efforts in preparation of the 2010 session.

The Voices Project represented a major breakthrough . . . As the grassroots activity increased, Kansans began sharing their personal stories and why they wanted a state indoor smoking ban. Working with the phone messaging firm, the campaign designed an innovative system that gave those people we called the option to record a personal message. The results were amazing.

Within one month, over 10,000 supportive Kansas voters had been identified, and more than 4,000 compelling "audio postcards" were collected and shared with Kansas lawmakers – the impact was significant.



Advocacy Fellowship

Through our Advocacy Fellowship, we are empowering leaders of health and social service organizations across Kansas to more effectively advocate on behalf of the people, causes and communities they serve. The fifteen graduates of our 2010 Fellowship will leave their mark in our state, championing the good causes they serve and making a difference. They join fifteen Sunflower Advocacy Fellows from 2009 and will be the beginning of a statewide advocacy network.

One of the most exciting factors of this program is the incredible diversity represented by the Fellows. They come from urban centers, small towns and frontier counties. They represent diverse populations -- children, elders, low income families, immigrants and Native peoples. They represent diverse issues – health disparities, community health centers, mental health, health law, environment, local foods, healthy living and outdoor spaces. And, most importantly, they represent the demographic diversity of our state.

Now in its third year, the fellowship is designed to help nonprofit leaders learn to do advocacy beyond their own walls – joining to create a chorus of voices around areas of common interest. While celebrating the uniqueness of participants, the program's common denominator is their shared commitment to becoming more effective voices.

We invite you to click here for a full list of 2010 Advocacy Fellows and more information about the program.





10 Years

Our 10-year milestone leads us to reflect on what a season we have had – and just how much we have been seasoned in our first decade. Since the agreement in 2000 that established the Sunflower Foundation, we have worked hard to honor our founding principles and to fulfill our mission: to serve as a catalyst for improving the health of Kansans. We chose to embrace a broad definition of health and to serve those most in need of health care. We chose to be proactive, collaborative and complementary, to serve as an agent of change, to recognize the importance of research and development and to leverage foundation assets, reflecting our commitment to responsible stewardship.

The Board of Trustees set funding priorities so that we could achieve greater impact with limited resources. Early on, we chose to focus on access to care and prevention. Later, in response to what we were learning about the state of the state's health environment, we added organizational capacity building and advocacy to our priority list. In 2002, our first year of funding to organizations, we awarded grants across the state totaling over \$2.5 million. By the end of 2009, the grand total of awards had multiplied more than ten-fold: \$26.7 million awarded in support of healthier Kansans and Kansas communities.

Advocacy in support of effective public health policy is the foundation's emerging area of interest. We are already seeing the positive results of educating community players through our recently-launched Advocacy Fellowship project. And, with the recent passage of the Clean Indoor Air Act, we are relishing a capstone to the collective work of many Kansans who helped set the stage for a grassroots campaign in 2010. Thanks to the Clean Air Kansas campaign, the result was an historic improvement to the health of Kansans that will benefit generations to come. What a welcome element to our tenth year celebration! And what a season! We are grateful to the many trustees and advisors who have helped shape the vision and work of the Sunflower Foundation during its first decade. It has been a great honor to be a part of this experience and to contribute to the health and wellbeing of our fellow Kansans.





Roster

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Sunflower Foundation is governed by nine trustees who represent, as much as possible, the ethnic, racial and geographic diversity of Kansas. Eight trustees are appointed through a process overseen by the Kansas Attorney General. One trustee is appointed by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas.

Current trustees of the Sunflower Foundation include:

Karen Hauser – Salina, KS Reggie Robinson – Lawrence, KS Kraig Gross, Treasurer – Hays, KS Les Lacy – St. Francis, KS Marty Beezley – Pittsburg, KS Mia Korbelik, Secretary – Dodge City, KS Howard Shuler, BCBSKS appointment – Topeka, KS Chris Ruder, Chair – Lenexa, KS Caroline Williams – Wichita, KS

Trustee whose term ended during Fiscal Year 2010:

Greg Unruh - Onaga, KS





Roster

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The nine-member Sunflower Foundation Community Advisory Committee (CAC) nominates candidates for the foundation's Board of Trustees. The CAC also acts in an advisory role to the foundation and reviews the annual reports. The Kansas Attorney General appoints eight of the committee members; the ninth member is the chair of the Sunflower Foundation Board of Trustees, serving ex-officio with vote.

Current members of the Community Advisory Committee include:

Rev. Bobby Love, CAC Chair – Olathe, KS Barbara Carswell – Lawrence, KS Karen Cochran – Lawrence, KS Phyllis Gilmore – Olathe, KS James Mireles – Garden City, KS Janet Schalansky – Topeka, KS Mark Douglas Sheern – Abilene, KS Robert K. Thomen – Chanute, KS Christopher J. Ruder – Chair, Sunflower Foundation Board of Trustees – Lenexa, KS

CAC member whose term ended during Fiscal Year 2010:

Karen A. Seals - Lawrence, KS

SUNFLOWER FOUNDATION STAFF

Billie Hall – President and CEO Alisa Browning – Executive/Program Assistant Cheryl Bean – Finance/Grants Manager Larry Tobias – Vice President for Programs





FY2010 Financials

Statement of Financial Position

ASSETS Cash and investments Fixed assets and other assets	JUNE 30, 2010 \$83,791,125 \$230,512
Total Assets	\$84,021,637
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS Accounts payable and accrued expenses Grants payable Total Liabilities	\$137,907 \$3,777,764 \$3,915,671
Unrestricted Net assets Total Net Assets	\$80,105,966 \$80,105,966
Total Liabilities and net assets	\$84,021,637

Statement of Activities and Change in Net Assets

SUPPORT AND REVENUE Investment income, net of expenses Grant Income Total Income	Year Ended June 30, 2010 \$7,002,148 \$90,000 \$7,092,148
GRANTS AND EXPENSES	
Grant awards	\$4,233,788
Grant awards (refunds/adjustments)	(\$26,537)
Special initiatives	\$1,025,876
Program and general administrative exp	enses \$497,335
Total grants and expenses	\$5,730,462
Change in net assets	\$1,361,686
Net assets, beginning of year Net assets, end of year	\$78,744,280 \$80,105,966

The above amounts are from the Foundation's Fiscal Year 2010 audited financial statements. A copy of the Foundation's audited financial statements is available upon request.





FY2010 Grants and Initiatives

Unless otherwise noted, grants are for one year. Note: The foundation's fiscal year (FY) is July 1 through June 30.

ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

Bridge Grants

- Cowley County Mental Health and Counseling Center, Winfield \$52,785 to support a part-time ARNP position to expand medication intake services (three-year grant)
- Douglas County Dental Clinic, Inc., Lawrence \$47,195 to support a full-time ECP Registered Dental Hygienist to expand a mobile preventative oral health program at the clinic and in schools, Head Start locations and WIC sites
- Health Partnership Clinic of Johnson County, Overland Park \$200,000 to support a full-time physician position to expand services at the Olathe clinic site (two-year grant)
- KVC Behavioral HealthCare, Inc., Olathe \$153,200 to support a psychiatrist, an ARNP and an RN at a newly established psychiatric acute hospital inpatient unit and psychiatric residential treatment facility in Hays
- PrairieStar Health Center, Hutchinson \$200,000 to support a new full-time physician position to expand clinic services (two-year grant)
- Silver City Health Center (through Kansas University Endowment Association), Kansas City -\$200,000 to support additional physician, nurse practitioner, medical assistant and patient service representative positions to expand hours of operation (two-year grant)
- Southwest Boulevard Family Health Care, Kansas City \$43,125 to support nurse practitioner, clinic coordinator, social worker and outreach worker positions to expand services at the Quindaro satellite clinic site
- Swope Health Services, Kansas City \$184,912 to support a part-time pediatrician, a part-time LPN and a part-time medical assistant/patient services representative at a newly established part-time pediatric primary care clinic at Wyandot Center (three-year grant)
- United Methodist Mexican-American Ministries, Garden City \$149,630 to support a full-time ARNP position to expand services at the Dodge City satellite clinic (three-year grant)



General Grants

- Great Plains Health Care Foundation, Phillipsburg \$50,000 to help support a project to reestablish dental services in Greensburg, KS (Kiowa County), following the 2007 tornado that ended existing dental services (four-year grant)
- Kansas State Nurses Association, Topeka \$10,000 to support a year-long project to increase recruitment and retention of a culturally diverse nursing student population
- Washburn University School of Applied Studies, Topeka \$68,750 to help start an Occupational Therapist Assistant (OTA) program to increase the number of OTAs in Kansas

ADVOCACY & PUBLIC POLICY

- Dole Institute of Politics (through Kansas University Endowment Association), Lawrence -\$10,000 to help support an event honoring Donna Shalala, former Health and Human Services Secretary, recipient of the Dole Leadership Prize for inspirational public service leadership
- Kansas Action for Children, Inc., Topeka \$6,375 to help support "Paying for Our Priorities: An Introduction to the Kansas Fiscal Process," an online training Webinar about the state budget and tax structure in Kansas
- Kansas Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, Topeka \$20,000 for consulting fees related to advocacy training and establishing a grassroots advocacy plan
- KU Medical Center (through Kansas University Endowment Association), Kansas City -\$5,796 to support a facilitated meeting to share findings from a statewide study of the financial role of a la carte food and beverages in Kansas public schools and to consider policy options

CAPACITY BUILDING

Assessment and Organizational Development Grants

- Agingwell, Inc., Topeka \$18,639 for management and planning technical assistance to rural nonprofit nursing homes transitioning to new models of service
- All Faith Counseling Center of Atchison, Atchison \$3,000 for Web technology upgrades and related consultation
- Anthony Medical Center, Harper \$20,000 for computers, netbooks, scanners and a data backup system
- Blue Earth Initiatives, Inc., Topeka \$12,000 for consultation services related to grant writing technical assistance
- Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence, Lawrence \$13,330 for a telephone system upgrade and wiring related to centralization of a data network
- Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence, Lawrence \$16,618 for software, computer memory upgrades, installation and related software training
- Catholic Charities, Inc., Wichita \$19,485 for computer workstations and monitors to expand service capacity



- Center for Practical Bioethics, Kansas City \$7,568 for technology consulting to enhance Web site functionality and effectiveness
- Central Kansas Mental Health Center, Salina \$20,000 for licensing to expand access to behavioral health database software
- Central Kansas Mental Health Center, Salina \$20,000 for laptop computers and software for use by case managers
- CLASS LTD, Columbus \$19,393 for computer workstations in the areas of administration and business operations
- Community Resources Council of Shawnee County Kansas, Inc., Topeka \$4,739 for a new telephone system
- Cornerstone of Topeka, Inc., Topeka \$7,500 for computer software and accounting consultation
- Cowley County Mental Health and Counseling Center, Winfield \$20,000 for computer hardware and software to provide remote connectivity
- Cowley County Safe Homes, Inc., Winfield \$10,738 for computer hardware, software, printers and installation
- Flint Hills Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc., Wichita \$4,050 for assessment and strategic planning consultation
- Four County Mental Health Center, Inc., Independence \$20,000 for computer hardware and a telephone system
- Four Tribes Women's Wellness Coalition, Horton \$10,000 for sustainability assessment and planning
- Friends of Recovery Association, Overland Park \$5,000 for computer hardware and business and fundraising software
- Great Plains of Cheyenne County, Inc., St. Francis \$18,374 for an interactive television (ITV) system for training, connectivity and tele-health services
- Homecare & Hospice, Inc., Manhattan \$18,980 for computer hardware upgrades and software training
- Hope Street Youth Development, Wichita \$19,091 for telephones, computer hardware and software, projector and printer
- Independence, Inc., Lawrence \$18,145 for a telephone system upgrade
- Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters, Wichita \$14,495 for human resources and accounting software for 30 sites and related consulting fees
- Kansas Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, Topeka \$18,085 for computer hardware and software upgrades
- Kansas Children's Service League, Topeka \$20,000 for hardware to provide Internet access in the Topeka and Wichita offices
- Kansas Family Partnership, Inc., Topeka \$8,000 for communications assessment consultation
- Kansas Health Ethics, Inc., Wichita \$20,000 for development and marketing consultation and planning

- KC Blind All-Stars Foundation, Kansas City \$17,064 for consultation fees and planning retreat expenses related to the merger of the Kansas State School for the Blind and the Kansas State School for the Deaf
- Let's Help, Inc., Topeka \$6,726 for computer hardware, software, projectors, screens and printers
- Lindsborg Community Hospital, Lindsborg \$13,762 for computer hardware and software
- Lindsborg Community Rural Health Clinic, Inc., Lindsborg \$18,951 for computer workstations for clinic registration, billing and administrative staff
- Marshall County Community Resource and Education Center, Marysville \$4,314 for computer hardware, printer and consultation for Web site development and training
- Mennonite Manor, Hutchinson \$20,000 for computer hardware and software and related consultation
- Montgomery County Community Clinic, Independence \$7,200 for computer hardware and scanners
- Prairie View, Inc., Newton \$20,000 for upgrades to the server operating system across six sites
- Rawlins County Health Center, Atwood \$3,240 for communications and technology assessment consultation
- Rural Health Resources of Jackson County, Inc., Holton \$20,000 for computer hardware and software and telephones
- Sedgwick County Health Department, Wichita \$13,773 for consultation and planning related to quality improvement
- Sumner Mental Health Center, Wellington \$19,710 for computer hardware
- TDC Learning Centers, Inc., Topeka \$10,030 for computer hardware and software
- The ALS Association-Keith Worthington Chapter, Mission \$8,659 for computer hardware
- The Arc of Butler County, El Dorado \$8,492 for leadership and financial consultation and computer hardware
- The Capper Foundation, Topeka \$20,000 for a communications server and telephone equipment
- TLC for Children and Families, Inc., Olathe \$20,000 for a terminal server and operating system licenses, additional data lines, a storage area network (SAN) expansion, a software server and a spam firewall
- Training and Evaluation Center of Hutchinson (TECH), Hutchinson \$20,000 for a telephone system
- University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita Medical Practice Association, Wichita -\$14,364 for customized software programming and related staff training
- Urban League of Kansas, Inc., Wichita \$20,000 for nonprofit fund accounting software and related consultation
- Urban League of Kansas, Inc., Wichita \$20,000 for computer hardware and software
- Valeo Behavioral Health Care, Topeka \$20,000 for computer hardware and software to provide a centralized and secure IT environment
- Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center, Scott City \$16,131 for technology and consulting to support board and leadership development





General Capacity Building Grants

 Kansas Department of Health & Environment/eHealth Advisory Council, Topeka -\$100,000 to help support the development of a state health information exchange (HIE) plan for Kansas

FINDING SOLUTIONS IN CHALLENGING TIMES

- All Faith Counseling Center of Atchison, Atchison \$17,866 to expand the hours of a licensed professional counselor and a billing clerk to address an increased demand for services
- Atchison Community Health Clinic, Atchison \$12,558 to support expanding the hours of an office manager and nurse coordinator/educator to meet an increased demand for services
- Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center, Lawrence \$44,549 to help continue the Working to Recognize Alternative Possibilities (WRAP) program in Lawrence Public Schools
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Salina, Inc., Salina \$14,000 to support a new half-time position that will help address an increased caseload by matching college students with youth
- Boys & Girls Club of Hutchinson, Hutchinson \$29,762 to support salaries and utilities to extend hours to meet an increased demand for services
- Breakthrough Club of Sedgwick County, Wichita \$22,425 to help support three case management positions and one employment specialist position needed to meet an increased demand for services
- CASA of Johnson & Wyandotte Counties, Overland Park \$20,250 to support a contract program coordinator to help screen, train and supervise CASA volunteers
- Catholic Charities, Inc., Wichita \$27,185 to support a new Help Center Pantry Assistant position to help meet an increased demand for food assistance
- Central Kansas Foundation, Salina \$24,443 to support the start-up of a Recovery Resource Center to serve increased numbers of persons waiting to receive substance abuse treatment services
- Child Advocacy & Parenting Services, Inc., Salina \$26,750 to provide partial support for staff to meet an increased demand for services
- CLASS LTD, Columbus \$55,978 to help support new and expanded business activities for clients with developmental disabilities
- Community Foundation of Independence, Independence \$14,808 to support additional staff time and related technology to meet an increased demand for services at the Community Access Center
- Community HealthCare System, Inc., Onaga \$75,000 to help support mental health program staff salaries to meet an increased demand for services
- Cornerstone of Topeka, Inc., Topeka \$10,000 to provide staff salary support and rent and utility assistance for families in transition
- Cowley County Mental Health and Counseling Center, Winfield \$42,187 to support adding a full-time therapist to help meet an increased demand for mental health services



- Cross-Lines Community Outreach, Kansas City \$29,116 to support adding a bilingual assistant to meet an increased demand for services by non-English speaking individuals
- El Centro, Inc., Kansas City \$33,368 to support two part-time case manager/patient navigator positions to help address an increased demand for services
- Elizabeth Layton Center, Inc., Ottawa \$75,000 to support extending the hours of an ARNP and adding a part-time therapist and part-time data collection specialist to address an increase in demand for mental health services
- Episcopal Social Services, Inc., Wichita \$28,950 to support two part-time positions needed to address an increased demand for the Food Outreach program
- Flint Hills Community Clinic, Manhattan \$19,142 to support a part-time nurse practitioner to help meet an increase in demand for services
- Guadalupe Clinic, Wichita \$25,000 to support extending staff hours to provide early morning, evening and/or weekend services to meet an increased demand for services
- Harvesters-The Community Food Network, Kansas City \$75,000 to support expenses related to an increased demand for food assistance in 16 Kansas counties
- Health Ministries Clinic, Newton \$33,810 to support expanded physician hours and add a part-time social worker/case manager to meet an increased demand for services
- Heart of Kansas Family Health Care, Inc., Great Bend \$30,000 to support adding a full-time case manager to help address an increased demand for services
- Konza Prairie Community Health Center, Inc., Junction City \$26,000 to support a new full-time CNA or CMA to address an increased demand for services
- Marian Clinic, Topeka \$26,874 to support the salary of a part-time nurse practitioner from the Washburn University School of Nursing to address an increased demand for clinic services and to provide teaching opportunities to students
- Medical Service Bureau, Wichita \$5,231 to provide computer hardware and software and a telephone to support a WSU Social Work practicum student position that will help meet an increased demand for services
- Medical Society of Johnson and Wyandotte Counties Foundation, Inc., Shawnee Mission

 \$15,000 to support interpretation services and a campaign to attract physician volunteers to Wy/Jo Care, which provides referrals for specialty health services to safety net clinic patients
- Midland Care Connection, Inc., Topeka \$15,000 to subscribe to an online education service needed for staff training following the layoff of the organization's education director
- Midway-Kansas Chapter, American Red Cross, Wichita \$14,352 to support a part-time case worker to help address an increased demand for emergency financial assistance
- Nazareth Convent and Academy/Sisters of St. Joseph of Concordia, Concordia \$75,000 to help support start-up costs for a Neighbor to Neighbor program to address increased needs among women and children
- Pawnee Mental Health Services, Inc., Manhattan \$43,700 to provide salary support for a Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) to address an increased caseload for substance abuse treatment

- Peace Connections, Newton \$16,450 to support expanded programs to help families transition permanently out of poverty
- Prairie View, Inc., Newton \$75,000 to support the addition of two Parent Support Specialist positions to reach an increased number of families whose children require mental health care and counseling services
- Reno County Chapter-American Red Cross, Hutchinson \$10,498 to support a new part-time caseworker and related technology to address an increased demand for services
- Shepherd's Crossing, Inc., Manhattan \$12,235 to add a part-time administrative assistant to help address an increased client load
- Southwest Boulevard Family Health Care, Kansas City \$24,890 to support adding a nurse practitioner and a medical assistant to meet an increased demand for services
- Tiyospaye, Inc., Wichita \$44,850 to support a new full-time position to lead a Practicum Student Volunteer Project to help address an increase in demand for substance abuse treatment services
- Tri-Valley Developmental Services, Inc., Chanute \$33,579 to support two Life Enrichment Trainer positions to work with persons with developmental disabilities who have experienced reduced contract employment opportunities
- United Methodist Open Door, Inc., Wichita \$35,000 to support the cost of additional food supplies to meet an increased demand for food assistance
- United Methodist Mexican-American Ministries, Inc., Garden City \$51,713 to reinstate a diabetes prevention and treatment program to serve patients in Garden City, Dodge City and Liberal

HEALTHY BEHAVIORS AND PREVENTION

School, Community and Statewide Grants

- Ashland Community Foundation, Ashland \$2,500 to support a community forum titled, "The Role of Education and Preventative Care in the Future of Women's Health"
- Healthy Kids Challenge, Dighton \$10,000 to publish and distribute to 200 Kansas schools and evaluate a healthier school environment toolkit
- Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, Emporia -\$10,000 for a pilot project to facilitate the inclusion of recess into the elementary school schedule
- Kansas Children's Discovery Center, Inc., Topeka \$75,000 to support construction of the Sunflower Climber attraction at the new Kansas Children's Discovery Center
- Kansas Public Health Association, Topeka \$4,450 to help support the Annual Meeting of KPHA, September 22-24, 2009
- Kansas Public Radio (through University of Kansas Center for Research, Inc.), Lawrence -\$110,000 to support the continuation of the weekly statewide radio series, "Kansas Health: A Prescription for Change" (two-year grant)





- Kansas Recreation and Park Association, Topeka \$5,000 to support the four-day Kansas Recreation and Park Association Conference and Trade Show, January 26-29, 2010
- KTWU Public Television/Washburn University, Topeka \$5,625 to support a KTWU-produced television program on food production in Kansas as a local response to "Food, Inc.," a PBS documentary on food production in America
- KU Medical Center (through Kansas University Endowment Association), Kansas City -\$10,000 to support a study of Type 2 diabetes among South Asian immigrants in faith-based settings
- Safe Kids Kansas, Topeka \$7,466 to support the Spring 2010 Safe Kids Kansas Leadership Conference and Training Program
- University of Kansas, Lawrence \$5,000 to provide registration scholarships to schools to attend "Impact of Physical Activity on Academic Achievement," a preconference session of the 12th Annual University of Kansas Conference on Overweight and Obesity
- Washburn Endowment Association/Washburn University, Topeka \$1,000 to support the appearance of Morgan Spurlock, award-winning producer of the documentary, "Supersize Me," at a public lecture on the Washburn University campus

Sunflower Trails Grants

- City of Colwich, Colwich \$14,993 to build a 1,425' long, 6' wide concrete multi-use community trail, which will connect to an existing trail along the eastern side of the 73-acre city park and a KDOT pedestrian/bicycle path
- City of Hesston, Hesston \$20,000 to add a 3,800' long, 6' wide concrete section to the Emma Creek community trail system (includes trail lighting and trailside treescaping)
- City of Jewell, Jewell \$20,000 to build a 3,300' long, 7-8' wide crushed gravel community trail around the pond in the city park (includes trail signage and trailside treescaping)
- City of Mount Hope, Mount Hope \$17,000 to complete a community trail around the pond in the city park by adding a 500' long, 8' wide concrete section and to add a 1,420' long, 8' wide concrete trail to connect to a nearby school (includes trailside treescaping)
- City of Ottawa, Ottawa \$20,266 to build a 1,984' long, 8' wide asphalt community trail in the vicinity of Eisenhower Elementary School and Ottawa Middle School (includes trail lighting, distance signage and trailside treescaping)
- City of Wichita, Wichita \$15,000 to convert a 2,400' long section of a railbanked corridor to a 10' wide crushed limestone multi-use community trail from the I-135 Bike Path to Grove Street
- Edwards County Economic Development, Kinsley \$8,791 to build a 2,677' long, 5' wide concrete community trail in Kinsley's South Park
- Norton City/County Economic Development, Norton \$1,732 to build a one-mile long, 8' wide crushed millings community trail around Larrick Park in Lenora
- Rush County Memorial Hospital, LaCrosse \$22,400 to build a 1,340' long, 5' wide concrete community walking trail



• USD #305 Salina Public Schools, Salina - \$9,950 to build a 1,056' long, 6' wide concrete walking trail on the campus of Oakdale Elementary School

MEDICAL-LEGAL PARTNERSHIPS

• Kansas Legal Services, Inc., Topeka - \$268,831 to support a Medical-Legal Partnership with Wamego Community Health Ministry, integrating legal and medical teams as a strategy to improve both health and quality of life (three-year grant)

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

- Clean Air Kansas A grassroots campaign to mobilize support to promote passage of a statewide clean indoor air law in Kansas
- Sunflower Foundation Advocacy Fellowship A custom-designed program to help Kansas leaders in nonprofit health and human services organizations improve their advocacy skills
- Sunflower Foundation Advocacy in Health Speaker Series A series of public presentations by leading national experts on advocacy, health care and health media, designed to teach and inspire nonprofit leaders to be effective voices in policy discussions