NEW APPROACHES

A WELCOME FROM CHRIS AND BILLIE
Just as these challenging times require us all to find new approaches to meeting needs, this online 2009 Annual Report marks the foundation’s commitment to finding a more efficient and greener approach to communicating what this year has been about for us. This online report provides complete details about the foundation and its work for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

What we value most are our relationships with our grantees. And we firmly believe that our story is best told through their stories. This Annual Report introduces you to three organizations and three advocates, all speaking out and making a difference for those they serve. Each of these individuals was part of the foundation’s first-ever Advocacy Fellowship – a unique and exciting new program designed to help nonprofit leaders become more effective advocates and powerful voices. You will find more information about our work to strengthen nonprofit advocacy in this report.

The foundation’s mission is to serve as a catalyst for improving the health of Kansans. In our 2009 fiscal year, we made 78 grants to organizations and communities across Kansas. It is a privilege to work with so many diverse causes, communities and people in Kansas. On behalf of the trustees and staff of the Sunflower Foundation, we thank you for the opportunity to serve Kansans.

We hope you will take time to read more about our grantees in this online Annual Report. Let us know what you think of this new format – and we hope you return to our Web site frequently to follow our work and that of our grantees.

Chris Ruder
Board Chair

Billie Hall
President & CEO
INSIDE THE BOX

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME you were thankful for a peanut butter and jelly sandwich? Amazing how so simple a meal can grow in importance when the kitchen pantry is empty and the paychecks have stopped.

In Wichita, as major aerospace manufacturers announce layoffs, the number of families feeling the sting of hunger increases day by day. The Kansas Food Bank, with assistance from Sunflower Foundation, is providing boxes of food — including simple staples such as peanut butter — through a laid-off workers center. The United Way and other local agencies coordinate the center. One day a month, people who are in need due to recent unemployment register for assistance, are assigned a caseworker, and, if eligible, receive financial counseling, career counseling, childcare assistance, gas cards and food.

Brian Walker, executive director of the Kansas Food Bank, reports a 30 to 40 percent rise in the number of people accessing various community pantries and soup kitchens. “At the end of our fiscal year in June, we had distributed 7.7 million pounds of food, one million more pounds than the previous year.” With the employment outlook changing in Wichita from week to week, Brian says it is difficult to gauge future needs.

“When we talk about layoffs in the aircraft industry, many more people are affected than the aircraft workers. When aircraft manufacturers scale back, machine shops and other vendors are forced to lay off employees as well. An additional concern is that many people in the aircraft industry support the food bank — these companies have always been strong supporters. So our donors have, in some cases, become our clients,” Brian says.

The Sunflower Foundation’s new “Challenging Times” grant program helped the Kansas Food Bank respond quickly to short-term needs such as this. The grant will provide the funds to supply approximately 2,750 food boxes over one year.

“Sunflower Foundation recognizes that while unemployed people have many needs, none are as essential as food,” Brian says. “Free food is considered critical to those affected by unemployment, because people trying to cut expenses will at times sacrifice money for food in favor of paying fixed costs such as rent, mortgage and utilities.”
Providing something so basic and so needed is met with gratefulness by so many. Brian gives just one example. “A man with four or five family members visited the laid off workers center and received a box of food. About 10 minutes later he came back – just to give our volunteer a hug and tell him how much even this limited amount of food meant to he and his family. We know what we’re doing really helps people. This grant to purchase food couldn’t have come along at a better time.”

Canned beans, potatoes, spaghetti and sauce. It’s what’s in the box that matters most to those Brian serves; but it’s thinking out of the box that is making a difference in Wichita and throughout the state.

SIDEBAR:
I’m appreciative of the opportunity to be in this first class. It was an incredible learning experience. After 11 years with the Kansas Food Bank, this program helped me realize how essential advocacy is to our organization’s mission. Whether focusing on the grassroots in our community or interacting with elected officials, I’ve learned how to better communicate the issue of hunger and how to advocate for change.

Brian Walker,
Sunflower Foundation
Advocacy Fellow
GOING THE DISTANCE

THREE AND A HALF HOURS to Denver. Four hours to Salina, and five hours to Wichita. When scheduling a CAT scan means scheduling an overnight stay, you may choose to delay. And that delay could be much more costly than the expense of a hotel room and out of town meals.

That’s just one reason Greeley County Health Services is so valuable to the residents of Tribune and the surrounding communities. GCHS integrates the services of a hospital, long-term care, three family practice clinics, a home health agency and a variety of outpatient and ancillary services.

To grow and replicate this model in other rural counties, Sunflower Foundation is providing a two-year grant. Chrysanne Grund, project director for GCHS, says the grant will support overall infrastructure, but also will provide assistance with leadership development and training programs. Strengthening and supporting primary care givers, including recruiting and retaining providers, are among the major goals.

The emphasis goes beyond simply finding a good physician. It’s important that health care providers are also willing and excited to be part of the community. “Our physicians’ responsibilities don’t start and stop in an exam room. They’re helpers in the high school and leaders in our churches,” Chrysanne says. “They care about their neighbors and they care about health in the broadest sense.”

The funds also help leadership development efforts. “If one of our employees expresses an interest in going deeper in her field, we can provide training.” Chrysanne says. “We’re also talking with kids about careers in health.”

Also covered in the grant are outreach and education, professional and layperson training programs, and overall program development.

But the real impact of the grant is seeing how it touches the lives of people in the community. “A young mother struggling with breast cancer and no health insurance had been told she was not eligible for Medicaid. But Sharon, our resource specialist in Wallace County, is helping her reapply for Medicaid and access other resources for her treatment costs,” says Chrysanne. “This has been such a huge relief for this family to have someone really help them navigate the process at such a difficult time.”
Sunflower Foundation’s commitment to increasing access to quality health care in rural areas is key. “The challenges we face in rural, western Kansas are far different than those in urban, northeast Kansas,” Chrysanne says. She points out that providing quality health care is important not just for residents but for the community itself. “The connection between meeting health care needs and economic growth is a close one. In western Kansas, agribusiness is a major part of our economy. We need a quality health care system that attracts and keeps businesses, families and employees in our communities.”

“Greeley County Health Services cares about the community just like families care about each other. We’re here to take care of our neighbors – we’re here to go the extra mile so they don’t have to.”

SIDEAR:
The Advocacy Fellowship has been eye opening for me. Living on the western border of Kansas means interacting with legislators in Topeka is rare. The program taught me how to access policymakers and introduced me to new resources as an advocate, which I would not have known on my own. It’s helped me learn how to tell ‘the rural story’ in a more effective and powerful way and, most importantly, it’s helped me get the message out about the success we are having reforming our own health care system.

Chrysanne Grund,
Sunflower Foundation
Advocacy Fellow
HEALTHY PRACTICES

A DOCTOR DISCOVERS BRUISES on her patient. Repeatedly. It is apparent she is the victim of domestic violence. It is also clear her physical injuries and health issues will not be cured by medicine alone. Sometimes, in cases like this, legal action may be the most important resource needed.

In Kansas City, Kansas, at the Southwest Boulevard Family Health Care Clinic, medical and legal services are delivered together. The clinic, located in Wyandotte County, serves an ethnically diverse population in one of the poorest neighborhoods in metropolitan Kansas City. The Family Health Care Legal Services Clinic is a unique program in which law students, under the direction of faculty from the University of Kansas School of Law and in collaboration with staff from the health clinic and Kansas Legal Services attorneys, help resolve legal issues that greatly impact the health of the patient. For instance, in the area of family law, a guardian learns he is able to authorize immunizations for a toddler. In the area of housing, a family may need assistance with landlord-tenant conflicts as they attempt to bring a substandard living environment up to code to help an asthmatic child. Other areas of help include public benefits, disability benefits, education access, immigration, consumer law, employment, wills, and help in facilitating workforce re-entry. The project is modeled, in part, after the Medical-Legal Partnership for Children, established in Boston, in 1993.

At the Southwest Boulevard clinic, Sunflower Foundation dollars help support a staff attorney, law school supervision, and technical support for KU law students who volunteer on site.

Elizabeth Weeks Leonard, JD, associate professor of law at KU, coordinates the school’s participation. “The combination of medical and legal help makes sense to a lot of people,” says Leonard. “People often say, ‘Why aren’t we already doing this?’ It’s important to look at patients’ total needs, not just medical needs.”

According to Leonard, the legal services clinic has seen tremendous growth since its beginning in January 2008. “I’d have to say we’re inundated.”

The Kansas City legal clinic is one of three projects spearheaded by the University of Kansas School of Law and supported by Sunflower Foundation grants to establish medical-legal services in community
health clinics across the state. A pilot project to replicate this service is underway in Pittsburg at the Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas.

For Elizabeth and many of her students, the projects connect them to lifelong desires to help the underserved. “One of our law students is a former army nurse. She learned about medical-legal clinics and, combined with her concern for the underserved, she found a new way to apply her medical and legal training. The project brought it all together for her.”

Elizabeth says it is exciting to be part of a larger movement as the concept of medical-legal partnerships attracts more attention. “Here in Kansas, we are truly a leader in this area. We’re among the first in the country to introduce these services in rural areas.”

For Elizabeth, her colleagues and students, practicing law has also become a way to practice healing.

SIDEBAR:
Taking part in the Advocacy Fellowship has been an opportunity for me to enhance my advocacy skills so that I can help promote and grow the project. Good ideas like the medical-legal clinics we are developing in Kansas will require effective advocacy to build partnerships and secure long-term public and private support. I feel better prepared to take on this challenge.

Elizabeth Weeks Leonard,
Sunflower Foundation
Advocacy Fellow
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS................................................................................................. JUNE 30, 2009
Cash and investments............................................................................. $82,063,841
Fixed assets and other assets............................................................... $103,275
Total Assets ....................................................................................... $82,167,116

Liabilities and Net Assets
Accounts payable and accrued expenses ........................................... $128,244
Grants payable .................................................................................. $3,294,592
Total Liabilities ................................................................................ $3,422,836
Unrestricted Net assets...................................................................... $78,744,280
Total Net Assets ................................................................................ $78,744,280
Total Liabilities and net assets .......................................................... $82,167,116

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS

SUPPORT AND REVENUE ................................................................ Year Ended June 30, 2009
Investment income, net of expenses ................................................... $(19,215,499)
Total Income ..................................................................................... $(19,215,499)

GRANTS AND EXPENSES
Grant awards ....................................................................................... $2,459,768
Grant awards (refunds/adjustments) .................................................... $(106,597)
Special initiatives .............................................................................. $919,343
Program and general administrative expenses................................. $570,877
Total grants and expenses ................................................................. $3,843,391
Change in net assets......................................................................... $23,058,890
Net assets, beginning of year .............................................................. $101,803,170
Net assets, end of year ..................................................................... $78,744,280

The above amounts are from the foundation's Fiscal Year 2009 audited financial statements.
A copy of the foundation's audited financial statements is available upon request.
SUNFLOWER FOUNDATION 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 (left to right):

- Mia S. Korbelik, Secretary, Dodge City, KS
- Howard Shuler, BCBSKS appointment, Topeka, KS
- Christopher J. Ruder, Chair, Lenexa, KS
- Reggie Robinson, Topeka, KS
- Marty Beezley, Pittsburg, KS
- Kraig L. Gross, Treasurer, Hays, KS
- Caroline A. Williams, Wichita, KS
- Greg Unruh, Onaga, KS
- Karen S. Hauser, Salina, KS

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
- Karen A. Seals, CAC Secretary, Lawrence, KS
- Barbara Carswell, Lawrence, KS
- Phyllis Gilmore, Olathe, KS
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SUNFLOWER FOUNDATION STAFF (left to right)

Alisa Browning, Executive/Program Assistant
Cheryl Bean, Finance/Grants Manager
Billie Hall, President and CEO
Larry Tobias, Vice President for Programs
2009 GRANTS & INITIATIVES
Unless otherwise noted, grants are for one year. The foundation’s fiscal year (FY) is July 1 through June 30.

ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

• Center for Health and Wellness, Inc., Wichita - $136,222 to expand services by adding a family practice physician, an ARNP and an LPN

• Central Kansas Mental Health Center, Salina - $39,795 to support a collaborative project with Catholic Charities of Salina to provide mental health services to residents in and around Chapman, KS, in response to the June 11, 2008, tornado

• Community Health Council of Wyandotte County, Kansas City - $8,000 to support a process to evaluate and make recommendations on options to enhance and/or establish a Federally Qualified Health Center in Wyandotte County

• Greeley County Health Services, Tribune - $185,000 to support the development of a comprehensive rural primary care program in Hamilton, Greeley and Wallace Counties, including an outreach and education program and leadership development (two-year grant)

ADVOCACY & PUBLIC POLICY

• Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved, Topeka - $90,000 to support part-time staff and consulting dedicated to legislative advocacy on behalf of safety net clinics statewide (three-year grant)

• Oral Health Kansas, Inc., Topeka - $5,000 to support two advocacy training sessions at the Oral Health Kansas Annual Conference, November 6-7, 2008

• Kansas Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, Topeka - $1,000 to support a Long Term Care Public Forum focusing on the future of long term care financing

• Kansas Department on Aging, Topeka - $10,000 to support two statewide conferences focusing on collaborative responses to meeting the needs of Kansas seniors
CAPACITY BUILDING

Assessment and Organizational Development Grants

• Abstinence Education, Inc., Wichita - $6,818 for organizational assessment and strategic planning

• Anthony Medical Center, Anthony - $20,000 for billing and coding software

• Arthritis Foundation, Kansas Chapter, Topeka - $5,102 for technology upgrades to improve communications, educational presentations and Web-based information and related training

• Breakthrough Club of Sedgwick County, Wichita - $5,223 for leadership development and transition planning

• Breakthrough House, Inc., Topeka - $20,000 for computer hardware and software to expand service delivery and strengthen financial management

• Bridging the Gap, Kansas City - $10,000 for fund development assessment and training

• Central Kansas Foundation, Salina - $9,744 to enhance Web site capacity

• CLASS LTD, Columbus - $19,823 for technology upgrades, including servers and desktop workstations

• Communities in Schools of Harvey County, Inc., Newton - $7,136 for a comprehensive organizational assessment

• East Central Kansas Area Agency on Aging, Ottawa - $17,957 for technology upgrades, including hardware, software, installation and training

• El Centro, Inc., Kansas City - $18,972 for fund development training for staff and board

• Elizabeth B. Ballard Center, Inc., Lawrence - $20,000 for technology upgrades, including hardware, software, installation and training

• Family Resource Center, Inc., Pittsburg - $19,974 for communication hardware, including telephones, intercoms and related wiring

• Florence Crittenton Services, Topeka - $9,000 for an organizational needs assessment and strategic planning

• Harper Hospital District #5, Harper - $18,084 for technology upgrades, including computers, printers and scanners

• Heartland Regional Alcohol and Drug Assessment Center, Roeland Park - $7,650 to assess the organization’s technology needs related to data tracking and reporting

• Heartland Regional Alcohol and Drug Assessment Center, Roeland Park - $20,000 to acquire, implement and provide training for data tracking and reporting software, as identified in assessment

• Kansas Area Agencies on Aging Association, Topeka - $8,808 to assess new program capacity

• Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters, Wichita - $19,366 for technology consultation, computer hardware (two
servers) and related software to support employees working remotely statewide

- Kansas Health Ethics, Inc., Wichita - $9,500 for fund development assessment, training and planning
- Kansas Public Health Association, Topeka - $7,909 for governance and management development
- KU HealthPartners, Kansas City - $17,550 for technology upgrades at the Silver City Health Center, including telephone system equipment and data wiring
- Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department, Lawrence - $11,514 for program evaluation and quality improvement training
- Medical Service Bureau, Inc., Wichita - $13,878 for strategic planning
- Mercy & Truth Medical Missions, Kansas City - $12,240 for telephone system upgrades at the Pat Lloyd Land Wellness Center
- NAMI Kansas, Inc., Topeka - $17,000 to increase the communication and technology capacity of VISTA outreach staff
- Planned Parenthood of Kansas & Mid-Missouri, Overland Park - $11,926 for computer technology, including two servers and related software
- Shawnee County Health Agency, Topeka - $14,000 to assess the effectiveness of their current health system in meeting the needs of local residents and to develop a plan to be more responsive to those needs
- Shawnee Regional Prevention and Recovery Services, Inc., Topeka - $7,454 for an organizational assessment
- Starkey, Inc., Wichita - $6,650 for emergency succession and executive transition planning
- The Arc of Douglas County, Lawrence - $9,309 to assess fiscal, management and evaluation capacity
- The Capper Foundation, Topeka - $16,988 for technology upgrades, including hardware, software and installation
- The Center for Counseling and Consultation, Great Bend - $16,818 for technology upgrades to support field work and community outreach
- United Methodist Homes, Inc., Topeka - $20,000 for payroll management and scheduling software at Aldersgate Village
- United Methodist Western Kansas Mexican-American Ministries, Inc., Garden City - $20,000 for computer hardware and training on patient records software
- Village Shalom, Overland Park - $9,450 for staff training in resident-directed care
- Wilson Medical Center, Neodesha - $20,000 for a comprehensive evaluation of services, including provider and patient surveys, consultation and staff training
- Wyandot Center for Community Behavioral Healthcare, Kansas City - $20,000 for consultation related to installing and implementing an interactive data management system
General Capacity Building Grants

• Center for Community Support and Research - Wichita State University, Wichita - $10,000 to help leverage an Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Compassion Capital grant to continue Compassion Kansas, a program to build the capacity of grassroots nonprofit organizations

• Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved, Topeka - $91,000 to support grantwriting technical assistance for Kansas clinics actively pursuing federal Community Health Center (330) grant funding (two-year grant)

FINDING SOLUTIONS IN CHALLENGING TIMES

• American Cancer Society, Topeka - $30,000 for temporary support to meet the transportation needs of low-income patients requiring cancer treatment

• Big Brothers Big Sisters of Finney & Kearny Counties, Garden City - $10,590 to support a summer school program for at risk youth that replaces a program cancelled due to the economy

• Community Health Ministry, Wamego - $10,000 to support a summer lunch, learning and exercise program for families in economic stress

• Douglas County AIDS Project, Lawrence - $27,000 to help support extended staff hours to meet increased demands for case management and prevention/testing services for low-income clients

• Heartland Medical Clinic, Lawrence - $49,380 to meet increased demands for services and for a volunteer recruitment and placement program

• Homecare & Hospice, Inc., Manhattan - $15,000 to serve increased numbers of low-income clients

• Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters, Wichita - $63,884 to support part-time case managers in five western Kansas BBBS agencies in response to increased requests for services

• Kansas Food Bank, Wichita - $41,250 to distribute food to the unemployed through a newly established Laid-Off Workers Center in Wichita

• KU HealthPartners, Kansas City - $50,000 to serve increased numbers of patients at the Silver City Health Center in the Argentine community of Kansas City, KS

• Let's Help, Inc., Topeka - $26,455 to expand hours to meet the increased demand for intake and emergency services and to add a job placement program

• Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas, Wichita - $41,772 to support a program to connect volunteer mentors and friends to current adult clients and those on a waiting list

• National Kidney Foundation of Kansas & Western Missouri, Overland Park - $8,587 to help meet the increased need for services to low-income dialysis patients in Kansas

• Society of St. Andrew, Kansas City - $30,000 to support increased emergency food assistance requests in 13 northeast Kansas counties
HEALTHY BEHAVIORS AND PREVENTION

School, Community and Worksite Grants

• Wichita Educational Foundation, Wichita - $150,000 to help support the development of technologies to promote physical activity through user-friendly social media, a project of the Recreation Alliance of Visioneering Wichita, beginning initially with a regional focus and ultimately expanding to statewide

Walking Trails Grants

• City of Bel Aire, Bel Aire - $24,996 to build a .55 mile long, 5' wide concrete trail in Central Park (includes trail lighting, distance signage and treescaping)

• City of Bonner Springs, Bonner Springs - $17,454 to build a .35 mile long, 6' wide asphalt trail from Pioneer St. to Kansas Ave. and connecting to an existing trail (includes trail distance signage and treescaping)

• City of Garden City, Garden City - $13,206 to build a 2,350' long, 8' wide asphalt trail in Finnpup Park

• City of Humboldt, Humboldt - $17,142 to build a 1,390' long, 8' wide asphalt trail between the city pool and the baseball complex (includes trail lighting, distance signage and treescaping)

• City of Sharon Springs, Sharon Springs - $22,742 to build a 2,978' long, 8' wide concrete trail in the city park (includes trail lighting and treescaping)

• City of Ulysses, Ulysses - $25,000 to build a 2,300' long, 6' wide concrete trail and a 2,155' long, 10' wide asphalt trail in Frazier Park (includes trail lighting and treescaping)

• Kanza Rail-Trails Conservancy, Inc., Topeka - $15,000 to complete a 5 mile long, 8-10' wide section of the railbanked corridor trail between Osawatomie and Ottawa

• Marshall County Connections, Inc., Marysville - $14,686 to build a 2 mile long, 10' wide crushed limestone trail as part of the Kansas section of a Marysville, KS, to Beatrice, NE, trail

• Meade District Hospital, Meade - $20,288 to build a 2,583' long, 6' wide concrete trail around the Lone Tree Retirement Center (includes trail lighting and treescaping)

• Overbrook PRIDE, Inc., Overbrook - $20,855 to complete a 1,380' long, 6' wide concrete section of the Overbrook City Trail (includes trail lighting, distance signage and treescaping)

• Prairie Travelers, Wichita - $15,000 to complete a 3 mile long section of the railbanked corridor trail between Wichita, Goddard and Garden Plain

• USD #253/Emporia, Emporia - $6,587 to build a 1,300' long, 10' wide compacted limestone trail in the Outdoor Wildlife and Learning Site (OWLS) (includes trail lighting and treescaping)

• USD #259/Wichita, Wichita - $20,000 to build a 1/4 mile long, 5' wide concrete trail on the school grounds (includes trail distance signage)

• Wamego Community Foundation, Wamego - $15,000 to build a 1.5 mile long, 8-10' wide concrete trail along Military Trail Road in St. George
MEDICAL-LEGAL PARTNERSHIPS

- Kansas Legal Services, Inc., Topeka - $300,000 to support a Medical-Legal Partnership with Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas, Pittsburg, integrating legal and medical teams as a strategy to improve both health and quality of life (three-year grant)

- University of Kansas School of Law, Lawrence - $229,125 to establish an annual Medical-Legal Partnership Post-Graduate Fellowship for a recent law school graduate to work with existing and developing medical-legal partnerships in safety net clinics throughout Kansas (three-year grant)

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

- Advocacy Fellowship - a custom designed program to help leaders in nonprofit health and human service organizations improve their advocacy skills

- Clean Air Kansas - a grassroots campaign to mobilize support to promote passage of a statewide clean indoor air law in Kansas

- Grantwriting Workshops - a series of grantee workshops to provide grantwriting technical assistance

- Mental Health Advocacy - a project to build the public policy capacity and impact of mental health-focused nonprofits in Kansas