

**2017  
ANNUAL REPORT**

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**KANSAS RURAL COMMUNITIES  
FOUNDATION**



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January 2018

Dear Community Foundation Friends and Patrons:

In 2017, the Kansas Rural Communities Foundation Board focused on making changes that would further the mission of the Foundation. The KRCF Board and Executive Director are dedicated to providing a vehicle by which individuals, families, businesses and organizations can financially support the needs of their communities.

On September 18, 2017, KRCF held our first annual retreat for fund representatives in Paxico, Kansas. The day was for learning and networking with featured speaker Michael Hund, Director of Development for the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation. He shared information on effective fundraising and led interactive development strategies with attendees. After a lunch catered by Alma Bakery, the afternoon was spent reviewing a new component fund handbook that covers all the rules and regulations for KRCF fund representatives. The first annual retreat feedback was positive and KRCF is planning another retreat for Fall 2018. Watch your inbox and mailbox for more details; we want you to be there for the benefit of your fund!

Looking ahead in 2018, we have also planned a Meet and Greet for the funds of KRCF on April 10, 2018 in Wamego, Kansas at Iron Clad Coworking. This is an opportunity for funds to learn about other funds, share fundraising ideas and make connections. We hope to see you there!

Our operations and fund performance in 2017 was positive and our portfolio continues to perform well. Our Board of Directors take great pride in being stewards of the Foundation, and we believe our investment strategy is sound and will provide excellent long-term results for our donors.

We ask for your continued support by contributing to our administrative fund or any of the funds whose purposes are important to you, or by establishing a new fund. The process is simple for you or someone you know to establish a scholarship in honor of a loved one; create a community improvement fund; start an endowment fund for the arts; or contribute real estate proceeds, insurance proceeds, stocks, or other assets through the Foundation. The possibilities are endless, and it all starts by simply contacting the Foundation.

Under the direction of our board and executive director, the Foundation is positioned to make significant strides in providing our donors and benefactors the support and expertise they desire. On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Kansas Rural Communities Foundation as well as the many recipients of your generous contributions, thank you for giving to your communities!

With Sincere Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kayla Savage". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kayla Savage  
2018 & 2019 KRCF Board President  
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2017 KANSAS RURAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUNDS

12th Street Community Garden Fund  
 \*Abilene Farmer's Market Fund  
 Administrative Fund  
 Amy's Angels Ending Domes Violence Fund  
 Blue Valley Foundation Fund  
 BP Scholarship Fund  
 Caring Neighbors Fund  
 \*Citizens for (Pottawatomie County) Courthouse Conservation Fund  
 Community CORE Foundation Fund  
 \*David J Karnowski Donor Advised Fund  
 Delia Community PRIDE Fund  
 Delia Rossville Czech Moravian Heritage Center Fund  
  
 DeSoto Arts Council Fund  
 DeSoto Days Festival, Inc. Fund  
 DeSoto Historical Society Fund  
 DeSoto Quarterback Club Fund  
 Desoto Rotary Club Fund  
 Education for Kansas Fund  
 \*Edward Phillips Memorial Scholarship Fund  
 Endow Waterville Partnership Fund  
 \*Eskridge Park Board Fund  
 Flint Hills Tourism Coalition Fund  
 Frank & Lorna Smith Scholarship Fund  
 Herington Annual Fireworks Fund  
 Highway 99 Fund  
 Junction City First Foundation Fund  
 Kansas Agents Association Foundation Fund  
 Kansas Aqueduct Coalition Fund  
 Kansas Cowboy Poetry Contest Fund  
 Kansas Flint Hills Quilt Trail Fund  
 Kansas Independent Telecommunications Fund  
 \*Kaw Valley State Bank Employee Donor Advised Fund  
 Muscotah Community Foundation Fund  
 \*Native Stone Scenic Byway Fund  
 Nemaha County Cooperative Association Fund  
 North Lyon County Historical Society Fund  
 Norton Community Improvement Fund  
 Paxico Community Fund  
 PCEDC Fund  
 Pete Darting Memorial Scholarship Fund  
 R Tech Scholarship Fund

\*Revive the Past Fund  
 St. Marys Community Foundation Fund  
 St. Marys Masonic Memorial Scholarship Fund  
 Strike Zone Slammers Baseball Fund  
 \*Summerfield Business & Education Center Fund  
 The Barn at Kill Creek Farms Fund  
 The Volland Store Fund  
 Wabaunsee County Cattlemen Fund  
 Wabaunsee County Community Foundation Fund  
 Walter Byer Scholarship Fund  
 Wamego Telecommunications, Inc. Fund  
 William M. Kirk Rural Development Fund  
 Women Managing the Farm Conference Fund  
 Woodbine Community Foundation Fund

\*Denotes new fund established in 2017

So much happened during 2017 to enhance and support communities in Kansas!

- The **12<sup>th</sup> Street Community Garden Fund** in Junction City was able to purchase signs and hoses for their garden.
- A new metal roof and electric service were completed at the Soldier gym through donations to the **Community CORE Fund**.
- The Delia gym got a new heat pump, roof, and floor repairs with the help of the **Delia Community PRIDE Fund**.
- De Soto, Kansas festivals are supported through donations to three KRCF funds: The **De Soto Arts Council Fund** helps support the annual Sunflower Artfest. The **De Soto Days Festival, Inc. Fund** takes donations and sponsorships for the De Soto Days Festival. The annual Winesong event is backed by the **De Soto Rotary Club Fund**.
- The swimming pool in Waterville received a new shade over the baby pool from the **Waterville Community Fund**.
- Cowboy poets from across Kansas beyond competed for the trophy buckle at the 2017 **Kansas Cowboy Poetry Contest** held in June.
- Funds were raised at the **Kansas Agents Association** annual convention to give a \$15,000 grant to Kansas CASA.
- The **Muscotah Community Foundation** fund provided music and the annual Joe Tinker day.
- Grain rescue equipment grants were awarded to the Frankfort, Axtell and Soldier fire departments from the **Nemaha County Coop Association Fund**.
- The children in Paxico now have new playground equipment. On the third Saturday in September thousands of people come to Paxico for the Paxico Blues Festival. The park and the Blues Festival were both funded through the **Paxico Community Fund**.
- Through the efforts of the **St. Marys Community Foundation Fund** new street lights were installed on St. Marys' main street.
- **The Volland Store Fund** was very active with events throughout the year. Visitors were able to see numerous art exhibits, take an arched-roof cellar tour, or listen to music.
- The **Wabaunsee County Cattlemen Fund** puts an annual Cattlemen's Ball and hosts a Ranch & Range Tour in the early fall.
- **Scholarships** are awarded to high school graduates and non-traditional college students from several scholarship funds. Anyone can establish a scholarship fund!

## 2017 KANSAS RURAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DONORS

Alma Co-operative Oil Assoc	Dzewaltowski, Kathy	Kern Sales & Marketing Company
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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

## KANSAS RURAL COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$189,743
Investment securities	<u>\$1,708,156</u>

<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$1,897,899</u></u>
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FIXED ASSETS	<u>\$0</u>
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$1,897,899</u></u>
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### LIABILITY & EQUITY

#### Liabilities

Expense payable	<u>\$542</u>
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<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>\$542</u>
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#### Equity

Retained Earnings	\$1,527,003
Net Income	<u>\$370,354</u>

<b>Total Equity</b>	<u>\$1,897,357</u>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><u>\$1,897,899</u></u>
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\*Note: To view the KRCF 990's, please visit [www.thekrcf.org](http://www.thekrcf.org)