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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- AFA Scholarship is building the scholarship fund to ensure a \$2500 scholarship is permanently available for county students.
- On average 18 people a year have been helped by the HSB—Giving Hope Cancer Fund. Their goal is to build a permanent to ensure that continues forever.

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A Donor's story on gifting

Tim & Terri Bornholdt, lifelong residents made the decision some time ago to establish a donor advised fund. This type of fund allows the flexibility to suggest grants without the administrative responsibilities of a private foundation.

We asked Tim & Terri to share their thoughts on the motivation behind the fund and what they hope to accomplish. Here are their thoughts:

Why did you decide to give?

Our lives have been blessed in so many ways, we want to help be a blessing to others.

How did you decide to give in this particular way?

We began to see what effect other foundations were able to do around our county and state, then we realized that you don't have to have millions of dollars in your foundation before you can start making a difference in your own community. We love the idea that our foundation will be helping our community long after we have passed on.

Of grants made from your fund, which are some of your favorites and why?

We were able to help fund part of a new fishing derby put on by the Inman Lions Club this year and it was such a fun time watching the little kids learn how to fish, and see their faces light up when they caught one. What memories were made that day!!!

We have been able to help with the local AFA scholarship which helps kids further their education in Agriculture. This is near and dear to our hearts. Also helping our church on special projects has been very rewarding.

What have you enjoyed most about the giving experience?

The sense that we are all on this earth together and being able to help each other in time of need is very satisfying and comforting.

What highlights or advice would you share with others who might give in this way?

Build your foundation to support your passion.

The Foundation offers you a way to leave a remembrance of your life, your values, and your family. We honor donor's wishes to ensure gifts we receive today endure for generations to come.

Grants for Greater Good September 2015—April 2016

Circles of McPherson County, \$2,500: For out-of-town participants to travel to Circles of McPherson weekly meetings. The grant is made possible through the Larry Wedel Health Fund.

McPherson County Council on Aging, \$600: For an LCD projector to be shared by all the Senior Centers within the county. The grant is made possible through the Larry Wedel Health Fund.

McPherson Fire Department, \$300: For a 'StatPackG1', an emergency pack similar to the ones used by EMS personnel. The grant is made possible through the Larry Wedel Health Fund.

McPherson Fire Department, \$2,845: For an EMS-compatible Automated External Defibrillator or AED. The grant is made possible through the Larry Wedel Health Fund.



Inman Disc Golf Course, \$1,000: For development of a nine-hole Disc Golf Course in Inman City Park. The grant is made possible through the Larry Wedel Health Fund.

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Mission Statement: The McPherson County Community Foundation serves the common good for its residents, building strong communities by engaging people in philanthropy and developing a permanent endowment to provide resources, now and for generations to come.

Giving on the rise in 2015

A Year of Steady and Strong Giving, courtesy of *Giving USA 2016: The Annual Report on Philanthropy* shows 2015 to be a record year in philanthropy. Giving rose 4% to \$373.25 billion in 2015 contributions as we continue to eclipse pre-recession levels.

Key points of the report:

- Giving increased for all donor types and all but one recipient sector.

- 2014 and 2015 combined saw giving increase 12.2% - the largest two-year increase since 2003-2005.
- About 50% of total annual giving by individuals comes from households with an annual income greater than \$200,000 or assets greater than \$1,000,000 which represents just 3% of all American households.
- Overall online giving grew 19% for all

reporting organizations in 2015 (compared with 12% in 2014), with monthly renewal giving increasing 24%.

- Giving to foundations is on the rise with donor-advised funds contributing to this giving landscape in a big way.

NOTE: A Foundation Donor Advised handbook can be downloaded at: www.mcphersonfoundation.org/donors.

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***McPherson Family Life Center, Inc., \$5,000:** For Parent Link, a program to assist first-time parents with their child's development up to age two. The grant is made possible through the Kansas Health Foundation Children's Fund.

McPherson High School Marching Band, \$6,359: To purchase new tenor drums and assist with the Band's Alamo Bowl trip activities. The grant is made possible through the Kansas Health Foundation Children's and Lisa Waldhauer Educational Funds.



MHS Band members performed at the 2016 Alamo Bowl. Photo courtesy of Lori VanGoethem.

USD 418 McPherson, \$1,000: For 'Kids Konnect', a program to introduce elementary students to local children's programs. The grant is made possible through the Kansas Health Foundation Children's Fund.

USD 418 McPherson, \$3,500: For 'Fostering Literacy Independence in the Elementary Grades', a program to align with Kansas Colleges and Career Ready standards. The grant is made possible through the Kansas Health Foundation Children's Fund.

Women and Children Combating Cancer, \$3,500: For 'Mammo Ammo', a program to provide mammogram screening to county residents. The grant is made possible through the Larry Wedel Health Fund.

Canton Senior Center, \$2,000: Funds were used to purchase new carpet and

vinyl flooring for the center. The grant was made possible through the Community Fund administered by MCCF.

Heart to Heart Child Advocacy Center, \$2,704: Funds were used to purchase a Promethean Smart Board. The board will be used to gather critical details during forensic child abuse interviews. Data can then quickly be shared with cooperating agencies including law enforcement and social services. The grant was made possible through the Child

Advocacy and Kansas Health Foundation Children's Funds administered by MCCF.

Marquette Council on Aging, \$3,500: Funds were used to remodel the Marquette Senior Center kitchen. The grant was made possible through the Community Fund administered by MCCF.

McPherson Dog Park, \$1,000: Funds will be used to help build a three-acre, fenced-in, off-leash Dog Park currently under construction. The grant was made possible through the Community Fund administered by MCCF.

Windom Senior Center, \$1,584: Funds were used to purchase new folding chairs for the center. The grant was made possible through the Larry Wedel Public Health Fund administered by MCCF.

**The McPherson Family Life Center is closed as of March 31, 2016. The grant was distributed prior to closing.*

The McPherson County Community Foundation makes grants to nonprofit organizations in the McPherson area with a focus in Arts; Basic Human Needs and Disaster Relief; Children and Youth; Community Development and Leadership; Conservation, Preservation, and Beautification; Education; the Elderly; and Health Care and Mental Health. Applications are accepted throughout the year and must be completed online. Organizations or groups are encouraged to visit the Foundation website for more information.

Free copy of Giving Guide available

To help donors become more strategic givers, the Community Foundation created a Giving Guide. The Giving Guide will lead you through exercises that will help you review your past giving, identify your interest areas, define your values and create a giving plan. It's a working document for you and your family. Once complete, it is our hope you will have clearer picture of your charitable

giving plans. Contact the Foundation office for your free copy.

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Scholarships awarded for 2016-17 school year

Scholarships totaling \$27,350 were awarded to area students for the 2016-17 school year from funds administered by the Foundation. Recipients may use the funds for tuition, books, or educational expenses.

Canton-Galva Scholarship Fund -

Sarah Frye and Lane Wiens

Paul Davis Memorial Scholarship Fund

- Kento Aizawa

First United Methodist Church

Scholarship Fund - Olivia Hansen, Price Kramer, and Megan Pedersen

Jay L. Frazier Scholarship Fund -

Michelle Carrillo and Ty Goss

Hanson Family Scholarship Fund -

Nolan Milleson and Janae McKinney

Bob Hooper Memorial Basketball

Scholarship Fund - Jacob Loecker

Kansas American Tooling Scholarship

Fund - Taylor Kynaston

Kyle Jefferson McMannis Scholarship

Fund - Ethan Dailey, Ethan Loyd and Trey Wedel

Gary McNaul Memorial Scholarship

Fund - Clinton Steiner

Raleigh Insurance Scholarship Fund -

Chase Sneath

FFA Alumni Scholarship Fund for Inman

High School - Courtney Bashore

Agatha Smyres Scholarship for Service

Professionals Fund - Savannah Case

Troy D. Hostetler Memorial Scholarship

for Fund - Kyler Blank

Inman Alumni Scholarship Fund -

Terrell Roehl

SAL Scholarship Fund - Jacob Doerksen

and Courtney Bashore

First Christian Church Education

Scholarship Fund - Caleb Giddings, Shelby Gudenkauf, Danielle Lacy, Mary Strickler and Aaron Williams

Chinberg-Eberle Memorial Nursing

Scholarship Fund - Samantha Goodell, Janelle Likes, Shawna Allen, Caley Johnson, and Mary Strickler

MATCH DAY TOTALS

McPherson County Community Foundation—21 organizations

Raised \$100,021

Match funds—\$40,000

Prize dollars—\$5,000

Inman Community Foundation—9 organizations

Raised—\$11,305

Match funds—\$11,305

Moundridge Community Foundation—8 organizations

Raised—\$16,109

Match funds—\$15,150

Prize funds—\$1,500

PLANNING FOR THE 2017-18 YEAR:

High School students seeking scholarship assistance for the 2017-18 school year must apply by January 31, 2017. All applications must be submitted online. To access the application, visit www.mcphersonfoundation.org.

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MOST POWERFUL WEAPON

.....which you can use to

CHANGE the WORLD.

— Nelson Mandela

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Donor Benefits of using the Foundation for Gifting

Our donor-friendly approach allows you to participate in many aspects of funding and grantmaking without the administrative responsibilities.

Tax Advantages

Because MCCF is a public charity, we are eligible to offer maximum tax deductions and other advantages not available to private foundations. This is a tremendous benefit for you, not least because it makes more funding available to support your philanthropic interests.

Professional Asset Management

Your donated assets are professionally managed according to the investment policy established by MCCF's board of directors. Each fund is pooled and invested as part of the Foundation's total assets. This results in lower management fees, greater investment diversification, and

minimized investment risk.

Donor Services

We provide all administrative services relating to a donor's fund, including accounting, auditing, financial management, due diligence, grantmaking and evaluation. As a result, you can fully enjoy the pleasure of giving without the administrative burden. MCCF's professional staff is accessible and supportive. We excel at – and enjoy – connecting donors with areas of interest and the needs of McPherson County residents.

Individualized Charitable Goals

Our depth and breadth of experience allow us to assist diverse philanthropic goals, such as:

Multiple charities. We regularly assist clients in giving to one charity or

many, and in setting up scholarship programs.

Legacy giving. If you want to create a personal or family legacy in the community, we can help you achieve your long-term vision.

Income streams. MCCF professionals are experienced in managing gifts that provide an income stream from an appreciated asset.

Life insurance and IRAs. We frequently work with donors whose assets include life insurance benefits and IRAs that will be subject to income and estate taxes when passed to beneficiaries. Gifting these assets to MCCF allows you to pass without the tax burden.

Family businesses. MCCF can assist donors who have assets held in a closely held company.