

# SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 2024 NEWSLETTER Q1

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## NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR...

Dear Community Members,

We can't believe it's 2024! We have an exciting year ahead of us!

Scholarships were due March 15th and we have over 60 opportunities for local students to receive financial support. This year we hope to again grant over \$100,000 in scholarship awards.

We also have a big update for our 2024 Grant Cycle coming later this fall with more information in the story on your right (complete guidelines available at [sccfks.org](http://sccfks.org)).

We are also thrilled to be celebrating our 30th Anniversary this September, with our Fundraising Gala on Saturday, October 5th in Pratt (Save the Dates have been mailed, and more info. on page 4).

Until next quarter!

Best wishes,  
Holly Launchbaugh  
SCCF Executive Director

## 2024 SCCF GRANT CYCLE UPDATE

South Central Community Foundation is excited to be celebrating our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in September!

With such a big anniversary, the SCCF Board and staff took an annual review of the grant cycle and we are excited to announce a big change for the 2024 Cycle (for a one-year term).

Exploring data received from our Community Listening Tours in the summer of 2022, SCCF has elected to offer one large \$15,000 grant as well as five \$1,000 grants to each of the counties in our service area. *\*All other grant opportunities such as Teacher's \$250 and specific county opportunities remain unchanged.*

With the intent to impact a few of the areas identified by each of our communities, we hope this one-time grant cycle will offer nonprofits the opportunity to think bigger for their SCCF grant application.

The guidelines for each grant opportunity are listed online at [sccfks.org](http://sccfks.org) and please reach out the Foundation with questions at (620) 672.7929 or [holly@sccfks.org](mailto:holly@sccfks.org).



## KEY DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 14th.....	SCCF Annual Board Meeting
June 1st .....	2023 SCCF Grant Reports Due 2024 Grants Cycle Opens
August 31st .....	SCCF Grant Application Deadline

# CELEBRATING OUR 2024 YOUTH MAKING A DIFFERENCE

## COUNCIL SENIORS:



**Aydan Bryan**  
**Medicine Lodge High School**  
**Kansas State University**  
**Finance**

*Goals: Be on the women's rowing team at KSU and after graduation work as a financial manager.*



**Bryce Duvall**  
**South Barber High School**  
**Fort Hays State University**  
**Computer Science**

*Goals: Interested in computer networking and cybersecurity.*



**Mindy Wells**  
**Medicine Lodge High School**  
**Kansas State University**  
**Agriculture Communications and Journalism**

*Goals: Complete Bachelor's at KSU and attend University of Michigan for Masters in Media and Marketing.*



**Molly Murphy**  
**South Central High School**  
**Fort Scott Community College**  
**Dental Hygiene**

*Goals: Graduate college, get a job, get married and have a family.*



**Mary Pearce**  
**Kingman High School**  
**Freed Hardeman University**  
**Undecided**

*Goals: Run track and cross country in college. I am thinking of getting a degree in either business, education, or physical therapy assistant.*



**Taylor Schultz**  
**Cunningham High School**  
**Hutchinson Community College or Kansas State University**  
**Dietetics/Leadership Studies**

*Goals: Teach communities about the importance of good health.*



**Grace May**  
**Pratt High School**  
**Undecided**  
**Physics**

*Goals: Wants to contribute to the future welfare of society through sustainability research as new technologies develop.*



**Kylee Norris**  
**Pratt High School**  
**Pratt Community College**  
**General Credits**

*Goals: After PCC, Kylee plans to transfer to University of Idaho to double major in Psychology and Genetics.*



**Katie Collins**  
**Little River High School**  
**Kansas State University**  
**Nursing/Human Growth**

*Goals: Finish school and work as a nurse somewhere in Kansas.*



**Bethany Sears**  
**Little River High School**  
**Barton Community College**  
**Physical Therapy**

*Goals: Plans on attending BCC and then finishing at Kansas State University. After graduating, she plans to move back to her hometown.*



**Mariah Sanders**  
**St. John High School**  
**Pratt Community College**  
**Early Childhood Education**

*Goals: Play volleyball at PCC then transfer to Fort Hays or Emporia to get my teaching degree.*



**Tegan Tanner**  
**St. John High School**  
**Garden City Community College**  
**John Deere Technician**

*Goals: Build a family and operate a farm and ranch.*



# SCCF GRANTS OVER \$205,000 IN MARCH FROM DONOR AND AGENCY FUNDS :

South Central Community Foundation expended that annual grants from donor advised funds and designated agency funds. Many of these funds were given through estate gifts or in memory/honor of the many incredible community members from our service area.

The listing below includes each of the funds and their 2024 grantee(s):

- **Barclay College Alumni Ellis Scholarship Fund**
- **J. Roderick and Shirley D. Bradley Charitable Fund:** Kiowa County Memorial Hospital & Iroquois Center for Human Development
- **Dr. J. Roderick & Shirley D. Bradley Higher Education Fund:** Kiowa County High School Alumni
- **George E. "Ned" and Mary Elizabeth Burket Endowment Fund:** City of Kingman, Burket Fountain
- **Chief Community Theater, Inc. Expendable Fund**
- **Russell H. and Ethel Collins Endowment Fund:** Kingman Area Ministries Inc & Midian Shrine
- **Bonnie Dudrey Designated Fund:** First United Methodist Church of Stafford
- **Miriam Eads Endowment Fund:** Pratt Hospice & Pratt Co Extension
- **Howard and Eva Ellis Endowment Fund:** Haviland United Methodist Church, Kiowa County Health Foundation, Kiowa County Library, Haviland Branch
- **Conard D. Gilham Endowed Fund:** Pratt Health Foundation, Pratt Rotary Club, Pratt Hospice, & EmberHope
- **Eugene G. and Leona M. Goetz Fund:** Kingman Area Ministries Inc., St. Patrick Catholic, Kingman Co. Retirement Association, & Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center
- **Hardtner Library Endowment/Mitchell Fund**
- **Kingman Area Ministries, Inc. Fund**
- **Kingman Carnegie Library Endowment and Burkett Fund**
- **Kingman Mennonite Church Fund**
- **L.V. and Ora Knight Endowed Fund:** First Christian Church & PCC Foundation
- **Pat and Tiny Laudermilk Charitable Fund:** Sterling College & Sterling High School
- **Laudermilk Family Fund:** Sterling College, Sterling High School, & Studio 96
- **F.E. and Evelyn Meisenheimer Family Fund:** First Presbyterian Church of Kingman
- **Lewis-Peitsch Family Charitable Fund:** Stafford County Hospital & Kansas State University Foundation
- **Minnie G. Doan Phillips Memorial Fund:** Carpenter Place
- **Pratt Community College Foundation Fund:** PCC Foundation
- **Pratt County Historical Society Fund:** Pratt County Historical Society
- **Pratt First United Methodist Church Endowment Fund:** First United Methodist Church
- **Pratt Music Theatre Fund**

## SCCF AT-A-GLANCE

**Assets:** \$27 million

**Current Funds:** 215

**Scholarships:** 60

### **2024 Grants**

(As of 1st Quarter):

*Includes grants from donor's funds.*

**\$430,117**

## - SAVE THE DATE -

SCCF cannot wait to celebrate our 30th Anniversary with you on Saturday, October 5th in Pratt at our Kentucky Derby Fundraiser!

More details coming soon, follow along at [www.sccfks.org](http://www.sccfks.org)!

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2024**

## DONOR AND AGENCY FUNDS' GRANTEES CONTINUED:

- **Pratt County 4-H Fund**
- **Pratt Health Foundation Fund**
- **Rice Community Healthcare Foundation Fund**
- **Rice County Historical Society - Kailer Endowment Fund**
- **Kenneth E. Rice Endowment Fund:** USD #422, Engineering & Fine Arts
- **Frank R. and Katherine J. Rinkel Fund:** Haviland United Methodist Church
- **Alice Ross Humphrey Endowed Fund:** Kiowa United Methodist Church & Riverview Cemetery-Kiowa
- **D. Curtis and Eleanor-Beth Skaggs Family Fund:** Pratt Public Library, City of Pratt / Parks Department, All Saints Episcopal Church, Pratt County Historical Society, & Pratt County 4H Foundation
- **Skyline Schools Foundation Fund**
- **Stafford Health Care Foundation Endowment Fund**
- **Stanion Field Endowed Fund:** PCC Athletic Department
- **Sterling Children's Fund:** USD #376 Sterling Schools District Office
- **Sterling College Fund**
- **Doug Tate Endowment Fund:** First Presbyterian Church of Medicine Lodge
- **WBG Endowed Fund:** Zenda Senior Center, Zenda City, Zenda Library, Zenda Fire Department, Pratt Community College Nursing Department, USD 322 Cunningham High School, & Kingman County Fund
- **Whitmer Family Fund:** Zenda Public Library

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