

2010 Annual Report



Improving the quality of life for the people of Northwest Missouri
through philanthropy.

A community Foundation is a public charity. It is a philanthropic vehicle of civil society designed to pool the charitable gifts of many into a coordinated investment and grant making facility dedicated primarily to the social improvement of a given community.

Letter from the President/CEO

I am proud to present to you the Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri, Inc.'s annual report. The Community Foundation is becoming known as an organization dedicated to growing philanthropy in Northwest Missouri, helping nonprofits become healthy and viable, and assisting donors with planned giving. It was only fourteen months ago Northwest Missouri had no community foundation to serve the area. It was nothing more than a glimmer in the eye of some philanthropic dreamers. Now, we're a viable, growing, succeeding, certified 501 (c) 3 public charity that is establishing a name for itself.



Our Board of Directors is made up of visionary leaders devoted to improving Northwest Missouri. They represent the area well and are devoted to helping Northwest Missouri become strong together. It is through their tireless efforts to spread the message about the Community Foundation that we have continual growth. Their commitment is to be commended and I thank them for all their help and support.

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation has been instrumental in assisting us become what we are. They are a sounding board, trainer, and handle all of our back offices support so we can offer our services to the donors for a very reasonable price. They deserve a big thank you for all their hard work.

Statistics show it takes three to five years to get a new business going. However, over the last year we have created marketing materials to explain our mission, put on a seminar for nonprofits, had a wonderful website created including a nonprofit database to help donors connect with the causes they care about, granted out in excess of \$600,000 with approximately \$5.5 million under administrative management and another \$5.5 million in planned giving. In addition, we have made over 500 contacts and presentations about the Community Foundation in the fifteen counties we serve, provided nonprofit management training to interns, and hired staff to ensure our donors are serviced with excellence. We still have a great deal of hard work to do over the next few years.

I would personally like to thank the Board of Directors for the opportunity to serve the Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri Inc. It has been a rewarding learning experience! I look forward to growing the organization into its full potential.

Mary R Hindi

Our MISSION:

- Benefit charitable organizations in Northwest Missouri
- Help donors create a legacy
- Ensure money earned here can remain here
- Maintain donor intent

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Front Row: Jan Schwarz, Karen Graves, Mary Hinde and Joe Gray

Middle Row: Mike Poland, Wendel Myers, Stan Griffin, Jerry Sprong, Ed Place, Jon Doolittle and Dick DeShon

Back Row: Jeff Nichols, Jim Blackford, Tom Watkins, Lowell Kruse, Andrew McCrea and Dale Wallace

Not Pictured: Ali Wray, Sharon Evers and Scott Long

Administrative Director



Stacey Helfery

“We listen!”

We listen closely to our donors, community leaders and nonprofit organizations to cultivate and maintain in-depth knowledge of the needs of the region.

Acknowledgments

Morris Plan—Office Space and Support Services

LAN Resources—Accounting Services and Web Design

Joe Stallbaumer—Computer Services

FUND LISTING

DONOR ADVISED

W. Fairleigh Enright Charitable Trust
Gray Family Charitable Fund
Grey Charitable Fund
Stanley K. and Janet L. Griffin Charitable Fund
Hinde Family Fund
Myers Family Charitable Fund
Gerald and Barbara Sprong Charitable Fund

SCHOLARSHIPS

Lori Holley Memorial Scholarship Fund
Wyatt Park Baptist Alyce Lawrence Scholarship Fund
Wyatt Park Baptist Ruth Huston Scholarship Fund

ORGANIZATIONAL

Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri Inc. Fund
Founders Circle Fund
Wyatt Park Baptist
St. Joseph School District Foundation

Colonel Morgan Memorial Fund
Meierhoffer Memorial Fund
Robert Limle Memorial Fund
Lori Schmitter Memorial Fund
Echo Scholarship Fund
Maxine Sklenar Fund
W. Fairleigh Enright Fund
Project Fund
Sprong Fund

Benton Education Fund
Robaska Memorial Fund
Sarilee Optican Memorial Fund
Mary Garner Memorial Fund
Kenney Memorial Fund
Ruby Wells Memorial Fund
Hillyard Fund
Music in the Schools Fund
Operating Fund

"The St. Joseph School District Foundation was looking to consolidate all of their assets into one investment group. At the same time, we were also looking to streamline the duties of our Executive Director so that she could spend more time raising money and granting money, instead of doing paperwork. Little did we know that the CFNWMO could help us with BOTH of these goals. Today, more than one year after investing our money with the CFNWMO, we are a more efficient Foundation and we couldn't be happier with our relationship. The CFNWMO has given our Executive Director and our Board more time to do the work we want to do, which is help the teachers in our district give our kids the education they deserve."

Brad McAnally, Chairman of the St. Joseph School District Foundation

Who We Serve

We serve the 15 counties making up Northwest Missouri.



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Assets \$5,456,491.46
Contributions\$5,489,000.00
Operating Expenses.....\$78,073.65

Grant Total—\$593,522.58

Planned Giving—\$5.5 Million

How we have helped non-profit organizations:

Charitable Contribution Acknowledgement Seminar

Letter to all 501 (c) 3's concerning pending loss of IRS status as a 501 (c) 3

Developing a database for all nonprofits cross referenced for national reference

Grant Writing Seminar

Grant query software—The Foundation Center (beginning of Grant Library)

Quarterly newsletter with relevant topics geared toward non-profit organizations

Affiliate program initiated

Assisted a nonprofit start an endowment fund and advertise

A special thank you to:

Heartland Health

W. Fairleigh Enright Charitable Trust

Industrial Foundation



***“We make a living by what we get,
but we make a life by what we give.”***

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