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Oregon Trail Community Foundation

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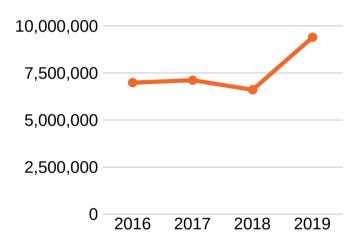
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Review

30%

Increase in Total Assets (since 2018)



Grants \$ Awarded to Nonprofits



New Funds

- Team Ashtyn Foundation
- Mitchell Area Foundation
- Mitchell Scholarship Fund
- Reunited in Heaven/Angel
- of Hope Project Fund
- Western NE Bicycling Club
- Scottsbluff National Monument Centennial
- Irrigation Disaster Relief
 Fund
- Aulick Family Fund

New Board Member



Rick Tuggle First State Bank



OTCF GRANTS

Camp Scott

Seeking support to cover the camper fee for 15 campers. Awarded \$1,875

Carpenter Center

Purchase two sets of retractable bleachers for the newly resurfaced gymnasium. Awarded \$5,000

West Nebraska Arts Center

To replace outdated lighting fixtures in classroom area. Awarded \$1,150

Riverside Discovery Center

To build a habitat for two grizzly bear brothers the zoo took in when their mother was illegally killed in Wyoming. Awarded \$50,000

Old West Balloon Fest

Program for the Balloon Fest. This year's event will be triple the amount of people for the National Competition that will be hosted here in the Valley. Estimated impact on the economy: 1.2 million dollars. Awarded \$7,500

Summit Christian College

For the college's security system used to control access to the college and provide safety to dorm residents. Awarded \$2,000

Leyton Public School Foundation

To complete the purchase of a new track and field for Leyton Public Schools. This track will give students a dedicated place to practice and host meets, and the community will have a safe place to exercise regardless of weather. Awarded \$2,500

Japanese Hall

This grant will assist in the relocation and renovation of Japanese Hall. Once relocated to the Legacy of the Plains Museum grounds, it will serve as an exhibit center and archival reserve for the Japanese and Japanese American history in Nebraska and the High Plains. Awarded \$5,000

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Community Ever Green House, Gering

Grant for the Garden Gate to present the greenhouse and it's beautification to the city and community for its greenspace to be enjoyed by those who travel by on their way to the parks of Gering.(from Seacrest Fund) Awarded \$3,500

Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation / on behalf of Chimney Rock

This grant is to expand the visitor center at Chimney Rock, providing new opportunities for visitors to learn about both Nebraska and American history, increase the capacity of the site to accommodate visitors, and help grow tourism and economic development in the state of Nebraska. Awarded \$25,000

Midwest Theater

The grant will be used to help pay for the necessary resurfacing of the Midwest Theater stage and to purchase roll-out vinyl stage covering known as "marley" that is necessary for the theater to host dance shows. This project will need to be completed before the Midwest Theater Performing Arts Season opens with a contemporary / ballet dance performance in September 2019. Awarded \$5,000

OTCF GRANTS

MLH Nonprofit Development Company

Replacement of roof on MLH building located in Morrill, which houses the Morrill Medical Clinic. MLH is the only clinic west of Scottsbluff/Gering. Many clients are seniors who are not able to transport to Scottsbluff or Torrington. Awarded \$2,500

Bayard School Foundation

Bayard Public Schools is seeking funds to help with the construction of a greenhouse to expand the agricultural education program at Bayard High School. This greenhouse will provide a variety of educational opportunities and the opportunity for students who do not live on farms to complete supervised agricultural experiences through the FFA and agricultural education programs. Awarded \$5,000

Ancova Empowerment Project (AEP)

Grant for package of film and video supplies. Some are upgrades and some are initial purchases. A central aspect of AEP is to allow the students to explore the creative process through screenplay writing and then shooting their work on film. They do all of the filming and editing with supervision from a professional. The equipment plays an integral role in making this program successful. Awarded \$2,500

West Nebraska Arts Center

Repair to windows and marque from hail damage and Ceiling repairs Awarded \$4,000

Total Grants 2019 \$128,156.00

Theatre West

Safety harnesses for overhead lighting system-split expense with WNCC. Digital ticket printer for box office 3 lavalier wireless microphones and cables for better sound in performances Awarded \$3,000

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Gering High School - Rachel's Challenge

Offering 2 different assemblies for our students and staff. Year 2 assembly for those that heard the message last school year and year 1 assembly for those that this is their first year. (we have 3/4 of our students and tons of new staff that have not heard the message). Then do another break out session with 100 of our kids for 90 minutes. Awarded \$1,800

Cooperative Ministries

The Mission of the Cooperative Ministries Weekend Backpack Program is to provide nourishing, easy to use food items to the children and youth, during the school year, who are experiencing food insecurity. This program provides food weekly to Scottsbluff and Gering students ages 3 years old - seniors in High school. Awarded \$5,000



'19 \$89,650 SCHOLARSHIPS

Agri-Business: Jacob Jenkins (Mitchell) \$2,000; Bailee \$2,000; Laurie Haugen Educational Lake (Bayard) Scholarship: Zoe Holcher / Northwestern Univ, \$1,500; Panhandle Drug-Free Youth: Kenzey Kanno (Mitchell), \$500; Clara E. Muehlberger Scholarship: lan Carrier -(Mitchell) \$4,000 : Rachel Rawlings (Gering) \$4,000; Adeline Hobbs (Mitchell) \$2,000; Connor McCracken (Scottsbluff) \$1,000; Karissa Benavides (Bridgeport) \$1,000; Lauren Gasseling (Hemingford) \$1,000; Kylie Stuart (Bayard) \$1,000; Cade Lewis (Sidney) \$1,000; Danielle Higgins (Dalton) \$1,000; Jabob Horstman (Hemingford) \$1,000; Karson Hunter (Bayard) \$1,000; Makenna Douglas (Sidney) \$1,000; Yarrow Corymb (UNMC) \$2,000; Kollyn Weimer (Creighton Univ) \$1,000; Lawrence & Pauline Lemons Scholarship: Keegan Reifschneider (Scottsbluff) \$4,000; Ava Marez (Gering); \$4,000; Atkins Bequest: Anna Yanke (Scottsbluff) \$750; Class of '66: Ashley Bair (Scottsbluff) \$500; Pre-Engineering: Dontae Rios (Scottsbluff) \$2,000: Hispanic Advisory Committee: Lydia Cantu (Bridgeport) \$400; Kenzey Kanno (Mitchell) \$400; Ashley Bair (Scottsbluff) \$400; Yazmin Marquez (Scottsbluff) \$400; Annabelle Gillen (Mitchell) \$400; Natasha Perez (Mitchell) \$400; Fliesbach / McAlister Scholarship: Benjamin Nollette (Alliance), \$1,000; CSI Scholarship: Alex Stambaugh (Scottsbluff) \$6,000; Kathryn Phillips (Scottsbluff) \$6,000; Yazmin Marquez (Scottsbluff) \$2,000; Lawrence Lemons Scholarship: Kaya Vonburg (Scottsbluff) \$500; Jane & Scholarship: Alex Chet Fliesbach Stambaugh)Scottsbluff), \$1,000: Dontae Rios (Scottsbluff), \$1,000; Shelby Fisher (Scottsbluff), \$1,000; CSPM Scholarship: Brock Parker (Gering), \$6,000; Kassadie Rahmig (Gering), \$6,000; Don & Dian Roth Scholarship: Hayden Higgins \$1,000; Quinton Janacek (Gering) \$1,000; Floyds Truck Center Inc /Brian H. Greif Memorial Scholarship: Logan Knaub (Laramie, WY) \$5,000; Cortland Greibel (Sterling, CO) \$2,500; Derek Capp (Belle Forsche, SD) \$1,500 ; Brett Poston (Torrington, WY) \$1,000

