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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come join us July 21st at
Kinkaid Brewing Company
for Sips & Serves at 7:00 pm.
We will have a short
presentation with fun
giveaways!

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The Foundation is now on
TikTok, check out our
videos!



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Custer County Foundation Awards \$49,125 in Grants!

The Custer County Foundation reviewed grant requests for the period ending April 30, 2022 and they are awarding a total of \$49,125 to 12 Custer County organizations. The Foundation's Grants committee recommended, and the Board of Directors approved, the following awards:

- Ansley Park Fund - \$5,000:** To help with improvements for the Ansley Walking Trail.
- Ansley Rural Fire Protection District - \$3,000:** To help purchase six Air-Pak cylinders.
- Arnold Rural Fire District - \$7,500:** To help purchase a Stryker Power Load Cot.
- Big Sky Jubilee - \$1,400:** To help purchase a sound system for the parade and outdoor events.
- Callaway Good Life Center - \$7,500:** To help install new furnaces and duct work.
- Callaway Music Department - \$3,000:** To help purchase a tuba.
- Callaway Public Schools - \$3,000:** To help with weight room updates.
- Callaway Rural Fire District - \$7,500:** To help purchase an electric/hydraulic extrication equipment.
- Muddy Creek Celebration - \$1,400:** To assist with the Kids Street Carnival.
- Sixpence - \$4,550:** To bring the Cari Ebert Seminar to town.
- Super Kids Club - \$2,275:** To help provide a virtual field trip.
- The Den - \$3,000:** To help with the Senior Meals Program.



The next grant application period ends October 31, 2022. Applications may be accessed online at www.custercountyfoundation.org.

City of Sargent Receives \$10,000 Grant!

The Custer County Foundation is excited to announce a \$10,000 grant from the Sargent Field of Interest Endowment Fund to the City of Sargent for a new pool heater. In 2007, Gerald & Juanita Poland worked with the Custer County Foundation to establish the Sargent Field of Interest Endowment Fund. The Polands wanted a way to help the community of Sargent long into the future. The purpose of the fund is to assist Sargent with community projects that will benefit a large number of residents.

An endowment is when the initial donation (principal) is held in perpetuity (for all time, forever) and can't be spent. Only the investment earnings from the fund can be used, and only according to the donors' specified purposes. In this case, the Sargent Field of Interest Endowment Fund can only use the interest earned for the purpose of supporting community projects in Sargent.

For 15 years, this fund has been growing and is at a point now where it's able to have a huge impact on Sargent. Swimming pools are an important part of every community. It's a great way for kids, young and young-at-heart, to get out of the house, socialize, and get some much-needed movement. Everyone who uses the Sargent swimming pool will appreciate and benefit from this grant from the Sargent Field of Interest Endowment Fund.

If you would like to learn more about establishing an endowment fund please contact the Custer County Foundation at 308-872-2232 or custerfoundation@msn.com.



New Funds Established at the Foundation

The Custer County Foundation would like to welcome three new funds: Sargent Pool, Gates Cemetery Fence, and Callaway Volunteer Fire Department.

The Sargent Pool established a fund at the Foundation for the purpose of improvements and maintenance for the Sargent pool.

Gates Cemetery established a fund at the Foundation for the purpose of purchasing and installing a new fence at the cemetery.

The Callaway Volunteer Fire Department established a fund at the Foundation for the purpose of any operational needs of the Callaway Volunteer Fire Department.

The Foundation looks forward to the impact these funds will have on Custer County! If you are interested in contributing to one of these funds or would like information on opening a fund with the Custer County Foundation, please contact the office at 308-872-2232 or [CusterFoundation @msn.com](mailto:CusterFoundation@msn.com).



Sargent pool, pictured above, is in need of some major repairs for Sargent to be able to keep their pool.

Custer County Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Fund raises \$57,582.07!

Earlier this Spring our county was hit hard with many grass and structure fires. A board member came up with the idea to raise funds to assist local fire departments. There were 94 people that donated to the fire fund for a total of \$47,582.07! Thanks to the Yanagida Challenge Match Fund, the Custer County Foundation was able to use those funds to match the first \$10,000 donated. This brings the grand total raised to \$57,582.07! There are ten fire departments in Custer County and the Foundation was excited to present each department with a check for \$5,758.21. The Foundation had an awards presentation on June 23rd in the Broken Bow City Square. We appreciate everything the fire departments do to keep us safe, and we also want to thank all the generous donors!



Sustaining Membership

We are well on our way to reaching our 2022 goal of **\$20,000!** Thank you for any support you have given! Please help us meet our goal by becoming a member today. Both businesses and individuals are encouraged to take this important step, which is vital to the future of your community and Custer County.

A gift to the Foundation ensures we can continue our mission of charitable giving to benefit the residents throughout Custer County. As a way to recognize your generous support, we will publish your name in our 2023 Winter Newsletter. Your name will also appear in our 18th Annual Gala & Auction program.

**When we circle together,
we CAN make a difference!**

The success of the Foundation is a direct reflection of our generous supporters. Donations from our valuable members allow us to perform daily activities that create opportunities for a greater impact.



The Foundation thrives today because of past and present Custer County residents who have a strong desire to give back to communities where they have lived, prospered, worked and played. Please consider becoming a Sustaining Member today. Thank you!

Yes! I want to support the efforts of the Custer County Foundation!

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MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

- \$1,000+ **DIAMOND**
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- \$250-\$499 **GOLD**
- \$100-\$249 **SILVER**
- \$50-\$99 **BRONZE**
- \$ _____ Other Contribution

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I request to remain anonymous in any publications.

**Please make checks payable to
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Thank You!

The Custer County Foundation, Inc. is a public charity and your gift, in most cases, will qualify for a federal income tax deduction. As required by law, it is important to acknowledge that you did not receive any goods or services in exchange for this contribution.

Legacy Society



Give 4 Good, 4 Ever

What is the Legacy Society?

The Legacy Society is a way to recognize individuals who have, or plan to leave a gift, to the Custer County Foundation from their will, trust, life insurance policy, IRA, or any other kind of charitable gift for the betterment of their community.



A Lasting Legacy

Leroy Anderson passed away in 2002. He included the Custer County Foundation in his Will, in which he wanted to establish an endowed field of interest fund to provide financial assistance to unfunded off-campus activities and field trips for Broken Bow High School students.

Since his passing, Leroy has helped fund over \$36,600 for off-campus activities or field trips. The great thing about Leroy's bequest is he chose to have his donation go into an endowed fund. This means the principal will remain intact and only the interest will be used allowing his gift to last forever.

What a great legacy!

Who can make a legacy gift?

You. Anyone can give assets including IRAs, securities, real estate, life insurance benefits and cash; often by simply designating Custer County Foundation as a beneficiary on their assets' beneficiary form.

What good work can I do with my legacy gift?

You can provide a stream of income that your favorite causes can count on year, after year, after year. You can designate your gift to your favorite charities, a scholarship, a field of interest fund, or an unrestricted gift.

Where can I do the most good?

Custer County Foundation is a trusted leader in philanthropy, with more than 31 years of experience. We are knowledgeable about local needs and charities in the county, and can help you craft a plan that supports causes you care about most.

When should I include a gift in my estate plan?

Now. You can include a gift by simply naming Custer County Foundation as beneficiary on any of your assets. In addition, anytime you are drafting or changing your will or estate plan, you may want to consider charitable legacy gifts. Your professional advisor can provide guidance related to your specific estate, beneficiaries, income goals, taxes and other considerations.

How do I plan a legacy gift?

Contact your professional advisor, talk with us or consult both. We provide confidential philanthropic services to donors and their professional advisors, without pressure or obligation. Planning a legacy gift is simple:

- Include a bequest or planned gift to Custer County Foundation in your estate plan and inform us.
- Complete a fund agreement with Custer County Foundation. You determine the type of fund you would like to establish with your gift. For example, a bequest can be unrestricted or set aside for a specific field of interest.
- Upon your death, Custer County Foundation uses assets from your estate to fulfill your charitable intent, based upon the fund agreement already established.



Peace of Mind for Your Family and Favorite Causes

Planning a legacy gift allows you to strategically accomplish both financial and charitable objectives. For many, these include preserving the family name, honoring loved ones, providing for heirs, minimizing tax burdens and supporting the community you call home. Plus, legacy gifts to Custer County Foundation are exempt from estate taxes, giving you the most charitable dollars to grant to the charities you care about.

We invite you to join the Custer County Foundation Legacy Society!

A trusted leader in charitable giving, Custer County Foundation has served this area for over 31 years. We invite you to join the many donors who have shared their plans to leave a legacy of giving in our county and joined the Legacy Society.

Legacy Society members have several things in common. They have worked hard, saved wisely, and invested well. They understand the power of philanthropy and they know that by partnering with Custer County Foundation for their legacy gift, the assets they leave will continue to grow and support meaningful causes in the community.

Your legacy has the power to do good works 4 Ever.

Year 1
\$50,000
Legacy Gift

Year 25 Fund Balance:
\$67,800
After **\$69,300**
in Grants paid out over 25 years *

Year 50 Fund Balance:
\$92,100
After **\$163,400**
in Grants paid out over 50 years *



*Assumes 4.5% annual payout and 6% rate of return net of fees.

Custer County Foundation Legacy Society

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I would like to receive more information about Legacy Society options.

I have made a provision to make a Legacy Gift.

To encourage others to commit to a Legacy Gift, we occasionally list names in our marketing materials.

Yes, use the following name(s) in marketing materials _____.

No, I prefer to remain anonymous.

*I understand this is not a legal obligation and may be changed at my discretion at any time.





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Our Mission

The Custer County Foundation is a non-profit, community trust which is structured to seek out, receive, and administer funds to meet the present and future needs of the residents of Custer County. The funds are administered in the areas of health, arts and culture, social welfare, environment, education, and civics.

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