

ANNUAL UPDATE

2009

M Midlands Community Foundation

Investing in the Power of Community

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945 North Adams Street, Suite 7
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*The mission of Midlands
Community Foundation
is to benefit the diverse
needs of the Sarpy and
Cass county communities
by providing financial
support, involvement and
service. We count on your
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our mission each year.*

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We regret the omission of any names.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Karla Rupiper

As you take time to review this Annual Update, we hope you will reflect on the legacy we are creating for future generations. Over the last 30 years, we have served as a leader by helping to identify community needs in Sarpy and Cass counties and partnering with corporate and individual donors to make the most of their charitable dollars. By encouraging the use of newly created charitable funds and gifting vehicles, Midlands Community Foundation hopes to provide everyone with an opportunity to "Invest in the Power of Community."

It is our wish that you will consider joining our efforts in creating a legacy of philanthropy to accomplish what is truly meaningful in our communities. We can provide you with assurance that your charitable dollars will be directed toward the greatest needs, or can assist you in planning restricted gifts to benefit those areas you hold dear. Through visionary, diverse and inclusive philanthropy, together we will strengthen our communities.

On behalf of myself and the Midlands Community Foundation Board of Directors, thank you for your past support and for making the hopes and dreams for our future possible.

DONATIONS AND GRANTS



MCF presents \$83,500 check to OneWorld's Cass Family Medicine

For more than 28 years, Midlands Community Foundation has supported non-profit organizations in the communities we call home. Our philanthropic spirit ensures that we are constantly listening, cultivating and promoting innovative programs that will benefit the needs of Sarpy and Cass counties.

Every year, non-profit organizations gather together to receive their awarded grant requests from Midlands Community Foundation. We are committed to working with these non-profit organizations so the residents within our service area can receive the full assistance from the bestowed donations and grants. Below is a list of non-profit organizations that benefited from donations from Midlands Community Foundation in 2009, and a few kind comments which affirm our efforts of "Investing in the Power of Community."

One World Community Health Centers, Inc. \$83,500 ♦ Nebraska Advanced Manufacturing Coalition \$22,400 ♦ Nebraska Mission of Mercy (NMOM) \$20,000 ♦ Goodwill Industries, Inc. \$15,000 ♦ Nebraska Lutheran Services \$15,000 ♦ Project Extra Mile \$12,300 ♦ Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministries \$10,250 ♦ Sarpy County YMCA \$10,000 ♦ Ted E. Bear Hollow, Inc. \$8,975 ♦ Sarpy County Historical Society \$7,875 ♦ ESU #3 Brook Valley School \$5,700 ♦ Cass County CASA \$5,500 ♦ Alegent Health Midlands Hospital – Health Fair of the Midlands \$5,000 ♦ American Cancer Society \$5,000 ♦ Angels Among Us \$5,000 ♦ Nebraska Choral Arts Society \$5,000 ♦ Nebraska Food Bank Network \$5,000 ♦ Ollie Webb Center, Inc. \$5,000 ♦ Omaha Hearing School \$5,000 ♦ Scenic Weeping Water Valley Association \$5,000 ♦ Radio Talking Book Service, Inc. \$4,500 ♦ Plattsmouth High School \$4,125 ♦ Town and Country Humane Society \$3,000 ♦ Loft Community Theatre \$2,500 ♦ Omaha Symphony \$2,500 ♦ Papillion-LaVista Community Theatre \$2,500 ♦ Papillion-LaVista TeamMates \$2,000 ♦ Leadership Sarpy Veteran's Memorial \$1,500 ♦ Wagon Wheel District Boy Scouts of America \$1,500 ♦ **Total \$280,625**

GOLF TOURNAMENT



2009 golf tournament

Midlands Community Foundation applauds the leadership and dedication of the golf committee who helped raise more than \$30,000 at its 28th annual golf tournament on Monday, May 18, 2009, at Platteview Country Club. The funds raised at the tournament enable the Foundation to assist many worthy non-profit organizations within our service area with their financial needs. This is only made possible through the generosity of our committed participants, sponsors, donors and volunteers. Thank you!

REFLECTION BALL

Midlands Community Foundation's 2009 Reflection Ball was held on Saturday, November 14, 2009, at the Embassy Suites La Vista Conference Center. The 28th annual Ball was chaired by Leanne Sotak and co-chaired by Carrie Krist. At the event, Ken and Charlotte Molzer were honored with the Reflection Award for their tireless dedication and volunteer service to our community. The net proceeds raised will be donated to Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Midlands. The event generated:

- ♦ A projected \$80,000 for Big Brothers Big Sisters programs in Sarpy and Cass counties.
- ♦ 25 sponsors, including two diamond sponsors, Brashear LLP and Pinnacle Bank.
- ♦ 100 advertisements placed in the Reflection Ball program.
- ♦ 400 patrons in attendance.



Karla Rupiper with Ken and Charlotte Molzer

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

2010 Grant Requests - February 1.
2010 Golf Tournament - Monday, May 17, at Tara Hills Golf Course.
2010 Reflection Ball - Saturday, November 6, at Embassy Suites, LaVista.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Tonee Gay

"What a man does for himself dies with him; what he does for his community, lives long after he is gone." Theodore Roosevelt

We live in a community of considerable kindness, our non-profits enjoy a unique spirit of partnership, and Midlands Community Foundation has the ability to facilitate charitable giving in a variety of ways. As a community foundation, we are here to serve and add value to your philanthropic needs. We go beyond simply making grants that advance charitable activities. It is our goal to identify current and emerging issues, channel resources to address the communities' needs, and help Sarpy and Cass counties prepare for the future. Midlands Community Foundation is a flexible, personal and charitable tool of giving. We offer donors a wide variety of options for giving — establishing permanent endowments, creating flexible donor-advised funds, field of interest funds, affiliated funds or gifts that are unrestricted to meet the wishes of the community. The Midlands Community Foundation Board of Directors will assure that all gifts are used for the purpose consistent with the original designation. All contributions to Midlands Community Foundation receive the maximum tax advantages afforded by law. Please join Midlands Community Foundation as we "Invest in the Power of Community."

With the generosity of Midlands Community Foundation, Project Extra Mile is able to bolster underage drinking prevention efforts aimed at reaching all facets of the community with a special emphasis on law enforcement and parents. Through the support of the Foundation, we hope to bring a heightened, community-wide focus on identifying the source of alcohol for youth under 21.

Diane Rübe
Executive Director
Project Extra Mile

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