OUR MISSION

The Foundation’s mission is to enhance the quality of life in our region through resource development, community grantmaking, collaboration and public leadership. We are committed to excellence through exceptional service, built on the following core values:

**INTEGRITY:** Stewardship you can trust.

**RESPECT:** Relationships matter.

**LEADERSHIP:** Collaboration creates solutions.

**VISION:** Our focus is forever.
### Annual Report FY22

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A Message from the Chair

I cannot tell you what an honor it is to serve the CFO as the Board Chair. One part of the CFO’s mission that truly resonates with me is connecting passion with purpose. The CFO provides opportunities for everyone in our community to connect with charitable organizations and to support the causes that truly impact people in need.

As I reflect on celebrating 50 years of the CFO in 2023, I think about the amazing women in my life who helped establish this organization and who have had a lasting positive impact in our community. Growing up as a member of St. John’s Episcopal Church, I attended services with Dorothy Coover. Often after church, my family would go to the Heritage Cafeteria for lunch with Dorothy, Hope Elsie Harris and a few other church members. Dorothy would go on to establish one of the more impactful legacies for the CFO. She worked for Commerce Bank for 30 years and established the Louis L. and Julia Dorothy Coover Charitable Foundation in her husband’s memory, which is managed by Commerce Trust in partnership with the CFO to administer its grantmaking. The grant program currently supports rural communities and the principles of place-based education. Since 1992, Coover grants have awarded more than $7 million across the Ozarks.

Another family I was lucky enough to grow up with was the Drummond/Close family. Early on, I attended church with them, but I also went to kindergarten through high school with Anne Drummond’s grandson Joe Close. Anne is considered an honorary founder of the CFO because she had a vision for taking care of this community and changing it for the better. Anne served on Springfield’s City Council from 1977 to 1983. Anne and her family, particularly daughter Marthe Close and her late husband Major with his sister, Ruth, have created funds at the CFO to benefit the Springfield Botanical Gardens at Nathanael Greene Park, which includes Close Memorial Park. A lovely sculpture of Anne on a bench with a book in her lap overlooks the park’s beautiful Drummond Lake. Since Anne’s death 20 years ago, Marthe has continued to honor Anne’s legacy and advocate for our community (and always cheers me on in my work and community endeavors). I am a better person for knowing this family.

Last, but certainly not least, by far one of the most influential women in my life was Jewell Schweitzer. Not long ago, I found a newspaper article that highlighted a bridal shower Jewell held for my mother at her lake home Winoka Lodge. It featured the recipes she served and described in beautiful detail everything about the celebration in the summer of 1963. It was such a treasure to find that article! Jewell became my Aunt Jewell when I was born about a year later. She was my godmother. My brother and I would go to her house frequently and bake cookies or go on Easter Egg hunts. She attended all my birthday parties, special occasions, graduations, weddings and parties celebrating my daughters up until just a few days before she passed away. Jewell supported the CFO early on, serving on the Investment Advisory Board for many years. She had the idea to establish the Humanitarian Award in 1990 to honor people in the community, in partnership with the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce. The list of recipients who have gone above and beyond their careers to help our community is extraordinary. Additionally, she made a significant legacy gift to the CFO that will support the community for generations, including the Jewell Schweitzer Collective Impact grant program.

Because of these extraordinary women—Dorothy Coover, Anne Drummond, Marthe Close and Jewell Schweitzer—I stand before you today as the board chair of the CFO. I never dreamed I would have a leadership position in this amazing organization, but I vow to make these ladies proud of the work we do and the people we aim to help in this coming year.

Laurie Edmondson
FY23 Board Chair

FY22 Action Plan Review

Determine facility/building options for future growth and needs
- A task force of community and CFO members developed a phase 1 report on future needs.

Implement plan for nonprofit services entity
- The St. Louis-based Network for Strong Communities opened a Springfield office in fall 2022 with the CFO’s support for start-up costs and nonprofit partner scholarships.

Expand Diversity, Equity and Inclusion effort to entire organization
- “Inclusive Excellence” training was provided to Board and Affiliate leaders; DEI grantmaking expanded with support for events such as Juneteenth and Pridefests.

Review Bylaws for updates, revisions, and alignment with DEI work
- The Board approved Bylaws updates in June.

Develop plan for Next Generation donor attraction and retention
- The Development Committee recommended implementing a “Next-Gen” giving circle in the Springfield area, which was included in the FY23 operating budget.
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More than 20 varieties of oak dominate Missouri’s ecosystem as the state’s most important group of trees. From them fall the hard-shelled acorns holding nuts that harness the energy to grow new trees and nutrients to support the seedlings. This fall, in fact, the plentitude of acorns in Missouri may signal a “masting” season of enormous seed crop.

Is it any wonder, then, that acorns are a frequent analogy for the similar power of endowments to provide sturdy, nurturing energy that advances philanthropy across generations?

Endowment calculators wow potential donors with numbers extrapolating how the corpus, or nut, of endowed gifts grows over time by making annual distributions under careful investment stewardship. We prefer to share real-life stories from the CFO’s own bumper crop of generosity:

**PAGE 14:** The power to preserve through Bob and Barbara Kipfer’s Bull Mills passion project.

**PAGE 16:** The power to restore Wright County history, nearly lost to flood and fire.

**PAGE 18:** The power to sustain Ruth Kolpin’s guiding star in Carthage.

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Bob and Barb Kipfer have spent much of their lives making things better.

That was the case in the first iteration of their careers, when they worked in the medical field. In another sense, the sentiment remained true when the couple purchased 85 acres of land in rural Christian County in 1995.

With little prior conservation experience, the Kipfers have spent much of those decades investing time, energy and resources in helping gradually restore the land—now, some 400 acres in rural Christian County—to its native state. They have also long helped educate others about the importance of the natural world, and allowed research to be conducted at the property.

Their efforts, and their many other conservation-related endeavors, have been of such significance that it led the National Wildlife Federation to honor the Kipfers with its National Conservation Special Achievement Award in June 2022.

“I think the real message I would want to get out, from a conservation point of view,” Bob says, “is that you’re never too old to get into conservation.”

Last year, they took steps to protect their work and share it with others by entering into a remainder trust with Missouri State University. When the Kipfers die or decide they can no longer manage the land, MSU will take over the land for at least 50 years.

To support those ongoing efforts, and provide for the property’s future needs, the Kipfers established an endowment with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks.

“It’s really hard to know what the future holds,” Bob says, speaking of opportunities that might evolve for the property. “We wanted to have something to maintain the land.”

The road to Bull Mills

While the Kipfers are now ardent conservationists, they knew far less...
when they purchased the first part of their property along Bull Creek. That natural oasis, however, ultimately grew a connection with the land and meaning beyond their lives.

“In the spring, when everything started to burst forward, there were all these wildflowers—things we didn’t even know what they were,” Barb says. “It was a really exciting time. That was our getaway every weekend that we could possibly do it.”

Ultimately, the passion they began to develop for the land led them to build a bank—not of money, but of land.

They worked with the Missouri Department of Conservation through a cost-sharing collaboration for the stabilization and repair of the bank, damaged by erosion.

“Once word got out at MDC that they had a ‘live’ one, they started coming back,” Bob says, listing some of the projects: Burning, warm-season grasses, glade restoration, timber-stand improvement and further bank-stabilization efforts.

The couple’s section of Bull Creek is recognized as an index stream, the highest standard against which others are measured, and one of Missouri’s Outstanding Resource Waters.

Preserving a lasting legacy

As years progressed, the Kipfers—Bob is 81, and Barb is 79—debated about what to do to ensure the property’s future was what they would want.

“We became very protective of the land,” Bob says, and notes that they talked to a variety of organizations about taking it on. “None of them could promise they wouldn’t sell it. Because ‘if something better comes along and we need the money, we’ll sell it,’ they said. We did not want that.”

Through the MDC, they became connected to MSU.

“We have an agreement for 50 years they cannot sell it,” Bob says of the Bull Mills property. “Not that they’ll want to—by the end of that, there will be very little land like this left, I’m afraid.”

To enhance the value of that decision, the Kipfers also decided to establish an endowed donor-advised fund with the CFO. Upon their deaths, their estate will distribute to the fund, which in turn will be managed by a group of advisors to support maintenance and improvements at the Bull Mills property.

“As you can imagine, it requires some upkeep,” Bob says, noting ongoing needs such as fixing the road when it floods, and the plumbing. There are also larger opportunities, such as making the house’s bathrooms ADA compliant when the Kipfers no longer live there, or planting trees when needed.

“The whole idea for that is the maintenance of the land,” Bob says. “To continue to be wild in a controlled way.”

—by Kaitlyn McConnell
Even after death, Clyde Rowen is helping history live into the future.

Rowen, who died in 2010 at the age of 93, was the first president of the Wright County Historical Society when it was founded in the late 1960s. He helped revive it in the 1980s and served as its leader for many years.

Even after his death, his dedication and desire to be of lasting help offered a surprise to the historical society after an unfortunate series of events—featuring high winds, rain and fire—wreaked havoc on its local history museum.

The saga begins

Like the opposite of an early Christmas present, it all began in December 2021. Traci Bohannon, president of the WCHS, was settling down to make gingerbread cookies with her grandson when she got a call asking if she knew the museum’s roof was gone.

“I was thinking ‘shingles,’ because we’ve lost shingles before—it was an old roof,” she says. The history museum, located on the square in Hartville, is housed in a former bank that dates to the early 1900s.

A check revealed something much more significant: The pitched roof was gone, she says.

“The storms that did all the tornado damage in Kentucky—well, they formed here before they got there,” Bohannon says. “They came through and I guess a small tornado or really heavy winds took our roof off.”

At the time, it wasn’t great news, but also wasn’t necessarily a significant cause for concern. After all, the old flat roof was still there, which would seemingly hold until things got worked out with the insurance company to get the “real” one replaced.

That sentiment soon changed around a week later when Bohannon met someone at the museum.

“Water was literally pouring in—just like there was no roof on at all,” Bohannon recalls.

Thankfully, the water didn’t ruin the museum’s historical materials. But while surveying the damage, Bohannon saw some sparks and launched an effort to relocate items to a safe place until the problems were fixed.

The moving process, as tedious and laborious as it may have been, was ultimately very fortunate—because the tale took a new turn on Mother’s Day.

“We're sitting in church and everybody’s phones start going off. It was just crazy. We all have everything on vibrate, so everybody’s phones are vibrating,” Bohannon says. “My husband’s like, ‘What is going on?’”

When his sister called, Bohannon’s husband stepped outside to answer

“I’m thinking it’s a family emergency,” she recalls. “He comes back and he says, ‘We have to go.’ People have been calling trying to find me, because the museum was on fire.”

The Bohannons hurried to the square, where fire departments from all over the county had been summoned to help, she says.

“They didn’t know what they were dealing with,” she says. “Apparently, it was in a little closet area in the back, an electrical thing. It had nothing to do
with the previous damage, the fire guy and the inspector, and also my electrician, told me.”

While the museum’s collection was thankfully safe off-site, another question loomed ahead: While insurance would cover some elements, how will the historical society pay for all of the repairs?

“Our only source of income that pays our bills is publishing and selling books, and we’ve not done that since December,” Bohannon says. “We have an operating account, but when you go into something like this, there’s all these things that insurance doesn’t want to cover, and you still have to pay.”

A serendipitous source of funds

As discussions evolved about how to cover expenses related to the damage, a board member recalled hearing about a fund that Rowen, the longtime historical society president, had set up many years before with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and the Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation.

“He just always was interested in history,” says Lois Bowman, vice president of WCHS and an old friend of Rowen. “The money that he did have, he wanted to make sure that it would go toward the historical society. You know, to help out there.”

But beyond Bowman’s recollections, details about the fund were scarce.

Upon investigation, the historical society discovered that Rowen had established a permanent endowment in 2007. Over the years, the Rowen’s gift accumulated investment earnings and, by 2022, had generated more than $25,000 for WCHS to use as needed.

The CFO offers several endowment options for donors and nonprofits that wish to ensure future funding for beloved causes, projects and community needs. Gifts to an endowment are not spent, but instead added to its “corpus” or principal balance. Those monies are invested, and as the principal grows along with the market, 4% of the fund’s balance is made available for grants each year into perpetuity. Designated endowments, like the one supporting WCHS, provide a reliable funding source for the particular agency.

For the WCHS, the grant from the endowment will be used to pay for required costs beyond what insurance would cover for the new roof, electrical system and necessary interior improvements. Any remaining money will be placed in a savings account for future needs.

“It was a real blessing to find out that we had this money because we didn’t realize it,” Bohannon says.

—by Kaitlyn McConnell
The shining star atop the Jasper County Courthouse reminds of the heart and help of Ruth Kolpin, a radio and TV pioneer who spent most of her career in Carthage. In the early 1960s, she led an effort to light the star 365 days a year—rather than only during the holiday season—as a visual reminder of the need for peace during the Vietnam War.

“A star atop the Jasper County courthouse was dedicated Friday night as a guiding star and a star of peace,” noted the Kansas City Star in 1964. “The governors of four states, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma, issued proclamations to that effect.”

The star still shines today, as does Kolpin’s work in the community.

“You can help others with what you have,” says Ron Petersen, one of Kolpin’s two sons. “…she worked her way through the ranks, that pressure off of us, too,” Petersen says.

**Humble beginnings**

Kolpin’s story began in Kansas, when she was born in 1922 into a family that eventually included six children. “My granddad taught all of these kids, even the girls, how to work and provide for themselves,” Petersen says, as well as an unexpected skill: “He taught them how to box.”

Kolpin, the second-oldest child, ultimately married a farmer, and to the union two sons were born. But after several years of troubled crops, a massive hailstorm ultimately convinced her then-husband that enough was enough. “I remember my dad walked across the road where our field was and we went with him, and he stood over there and he cocked his hat back on the top of his head and he said, ‘Well, we’re going to town,’” Petersen recalls of that moment as a young child in the 1940s.

It was a drastic move for a farmer, Petersen says, but things were dire.

The move to town allowed Kolpin to get a job at a radio station as a script writer. She thought it might be an avenue to get some songs she wrote onto the airwaves—“She saw how it worked and that’s not how you do it,” Petersen says—but it gave way to something greater: A territory where she worked to sell advertising, an unusual job for a woman in 1949.

“She had a little portable Underwood typewriter and she kept it in her back seat,” Petersen says. “What she would do is go into a town and she’d size it up. She’d size up the different clients and she’d hit the big ones first. She’d have contracts already filled out, and just the name needed to be added. “She’d go in there and sell the deal to people in town. She’d come back and they say, ‘How’d you do that?’ She said: ‘Go and ask for the business. And if they’d say no, say why not?’ And she would force them to tell her why not.”

The method worked—and she worked her way through the ranks,
ultimately leading to moves to Garden City and Dodge, to support her family as a single mother.

**Growth in the industry**

By the early 1960s, she met and married George Kolpin, an executive with CBS in New York City. The couple decided to purchase a radio station, and one that rose to the top of the list was KDMO-AM in Carthage.

Unfortunately, the station was up for sale to another buyer and, out of desirable options, the Kolpins planned to move to the East Coast.

That all changed with a phone call, answered as Kolpin and Petersen stood among moving boxes.

“My mother and I were sitting eating a hamburger on the kitchen counter because all the furniture was packed up,” Petersen recalls. “George called. He said, ‘Take Ron … and drive to Carthage tonight. It’s five o’clock and it’ll take seven hours to drive from Dodge. She said, ‘Now?’ And he said, ‘Yes, the deal fell through. The financing didn’t happen for the guy that had the offer. And it fell through and we’re next in line.’

In 1962, the family purchased the radio station, moved to Carthage, and began growing the enterprise. Even after George Kolpin died in 1982, Kolpin didn’t stop her work. That same decade, she started the cable television service in Carthage and expanded her cable holdings to 27 communities in southwest Missouri.

**Passions of historical preservation and philanthropy**

Kolpin also gave her time and energy to community causes, even more so after her retirement.

She also invested great time and energy into the Carter Mansion.

The stately brick home was built in the 1880s by Dr. John Carter, one of the first physicians to live in Carthage after the Civil War. Known affectionately as the “Radio House” by those around Carthage, it was where KDMO was located when the couple purchased the radio station. After the station relocated, Kolpin decided to restore the home to its original glory.

That effort, however, did not stop with the house itself. Over a period of several years, she began a project to build an adjacent carriage house, ultimately creating a second dwelling very similar to the original home.

The property, which features the two dwellings, a former railroad depot — also outfitted as a home — and an original Frisco Railroad caboose has attracted national attention from “Zillow Gone Wild,” a website that shares unconventional properties.

The property was among the gifts that helped establish the Kolpin Foundation as a donor-advised fund with the Carthage Community Foundation and the CFO. Petersen now owns the home, and it is listed for sale.

Beginning in 1999, Kolpin also helped the community through her namesake foundation. While she was passionate about a variety of community efforts, her son says she was particularly interested in supporting causes tied to education, science and faith. Over the years, she also provided resources to modernize the star on the courthouse, including converting it to LED for greater lasting power.

After Kolpin’s passing in 2019, her family decided to continue the foundation’s philanthropic efforts through the CFO. Converting the family’s private foundation to a donor-advised fund shifted much of the administrative work to the CFO, while still allowing the family and those it designates to continue making distributions to the charitable causes they choose.

“That made the board feel really good, and it’s a lot easier than trying to run your own. The CFO does all the paperwork and takes care of everything we were taking care of. We are just advisers now. It made it simpler,” Petersen says, also noting the robustness of the Carthage Community Foundation, which includes the Kolpin Foundation as one of its component funds.

“It made sense and we moved forward with it. We feel delighted to be involved,” he said. “With the CFO, we read good things about them and it seems that they’re building even greater foundation involvement with others that have thrown in, too.”

—by Kaitlyn McConnell

**THE CARTER MANSION, which includes two nearly identical dwellings, helped establish the Kolpin Foundation.**

**Several members of Ruth Kolpin’s extended family, pictured here, will continue to advise the fund.**

**The permanent installation of a star—a perpetual symbol of peace—atop the Jasper County Courthouse in Carthage was one of Ruth Kolpin’s early philanthropic efforts.**
Providence & Perpetual Possibilities

Donors, inspired by lifelong passions, create opportunities for students through new endowed scholarships

In FY22, the endowed scholarship funds administered by the CFO awarded $1.6 MILLION through 829 SCHOLARSHIPS to NEARLY 700 STUDENTS. As of June 30, 2022, the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and its regional affiliate foundations hold 480 SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS with assets totaling $49.6 MILLION.

While those figures represent a significant investment in the future of the region, even more so, they speak to lives—the lives of students that will be forever improved by education, and the lives of donors, who dedicated their charitable spirit to future generations.

And those numbers continue to grow. Every year, donors work with the CFO and its regional affiliate foundations to establish new scholarship funds through a variety of charitable giving options. Each scholarship is defined by its own criteria that reflects the donor’s passion and intent. Here are the stories behind several scholarships that awarded for the first time this year.

The Art of Giving Back

The closure of National Art Shop didn’t stop its legacy in the community.

In 2022, Jerry and Jean Sanders, the longtime store’s owners, established a scholarship fund with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks to support art students attending Missouri State University or Ozarks Technical Community College. Two scholarships are currently available for $500 each.

“A lot of kids, they love to do art but they may think it’s too expensive,” Jean Sanders says. “We would hear students say, ‘I’d like to have this or that but I really can’t afford it.’ We thought, ‘Maybe this would be a way we could help somebody.’ That’s why we decided to do that.”

National Art’s start

The shop began back in 1970 when Jerry Sanders’ mother and aunt had difficulty finding art supplies in Springfield.

“He worked at the railroad, and so he had some extra time,” his wife says. “He decided that he would open an art shop so there would be a place for them to buy art materials.”

The twin sisters worked at the shop for 11 years until 1981, when they decided to retire. Jean Sanders quit her banking job and joined the family business.

Five years later, the business grew enough to leave its original location—a small building near the Springfield Art Museum—and move north on National into a former grocery store.

“At first, we didn’t think we’d be able to fill it up, coming from such a small building to a larger building,” Sanders says. “But it didn’t take long to get everything going and more merchandise in there.”

Moving north on National

In that spot, they continued serving the art needs of Springfield—and beyond—through customers ranging from students to corporate clients. After more than 50 years, however, they decided it was time to retire and shuttered the shop in 2021.

“It was a really hard decision,” she says. “We miss seeing the customers and miss providing that service.”

Even though art supplies are no longer sold in the same spot, the Sanders are pleased with the site’s new role as a location for Andy’s Frozen Custard.

Following the closure of National Art Shop in 2021, owners Jean and Jerry Sanders established a fund to support art students at Missouri State University and Ozarks Technical Community College.
Donors, estates create new opportunities for students

Couple’s estate leaves “blessing to the community”

Rex and Virginia Price of Marshfield spent years of their lives living a spirit of giving — and prepared their legacy to do the same long past their lifetimes. They had the foresight to work with a financial planner to include charitable giving in their estate.

Those efforts led to the launch of the Rex and Virginia Price Scholarship, which was established by the Price’s estate with the CFO and the Marshfield Area Community Foundation. Starting in 2022, the endowment provides a $2,500 scholarship, renewable for three additional years, to a graduating senior from Marshfield High School.

“The bottom line: They wanted to continue being generous with funds and try to be a blessing,” says Craig Bell, a financial planner with Edward Jones who helped manage the Prices’ wishes and had long known the couple. “They’ve always been generous.”

In addition to the new scholarship, the Prices created endowments designated for seven nonprofits.

“It was just kind of a long list of things they wanted to bless; causes they felt endeared to in some way, or felt were great organizations to help support,” Bell says.

Corporate donor refocuses scholarships for greater impact

Mary Sheid Schrag knows the value of education. As owner of Physical Therapy Specialists Clinic Inc., headquartered in West Plains, she also has seen the importance of keeping talent in the Ozarks.

Over nearly 25 years, PTSC scholarships — around $1,000 each — and donations to local education-related nonprofits grew to around $250,000 in charitable funding.

PTSC moved the scholarship funds to the CFO and the Community Foundation of West Plains Inc. in 2015. This year, the scholarship funds saw another shift. Instead of several smaller distributions, the endowments now support two $3,000 scholarships — one to a college student studying education, and another to a future physical therapist in graduate study. Both students must have graduated from high school in Missouri and be attending Missouri State University.

“That really was a driving factor for us: How can we help others,” Schrag says. “Most of us grew up in south-central Missouri and we see the needs in our communities, and we wanted to help ensure that students could go off to school and would hopefully come back in a professional capacity and contribute to these local communities. That was really important to us.”

Donation of farmland supports next generation of farmers in four counties

Students in Barton, Dade, Jasper and Lawrence counties have a new opportunity for greater futures thanks to Clinton and Nancy Schilling. The late couple’s estate is funding two separate scholarship funds with the CFO and the Lockwood Community Foundation that will serve 10 students annually with a focus on agriculture and vocational training.

It’s a legacy tied to the Schillings’ lives, as they owned a large farm across the four counties. The donation of the farmland by their estate funded the new scholarships.

The endowments support 10 scholarships awarding for the first time in 2022: six $3,000 scholarships for students pursuing an ag-related degree at a four-year university, renewable for three additional years; and four $2,000 scholarships for students attending a two-year or vocational school, renewable for one additional year.

“Mom and Dad were both passionate about helping those who otherwise would not be able to afford to go to school,” says Melissa Gluck of her mother and step-father’s wishes. “Not everyone is destined to be a college graduate, and we need many more in our workforce with vocational training or degrees.”
Discretionary Grants

The CFO offers a number of competitive grant cycles each year that are made possible by generous donors who make unrestricted or field-of-interest gifts. In FY22, discretionary grantmaking through the CFO totaled $2,298,937.70.

**Springfield-Greene County Collective Impact**

Better Life in Recovery: $40,000
Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks: $12,550
Child Advocacy Center: $65,822
The Connecting Grounds: $7,757
Council of Churches of the Ozarks: $40,000
FosterAdopt Connect: $18,051
Missouri State University: $12,550
Oregon-Howell R-III: $5,000
Sulphur Springs Senior Center: $4,000

**Community DEI Director Partnership**

The CFO provided $55,000 to support the Community Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Director position at the Community Partnership of the Ozarks.

**Coover Regional Senior Center Support**

Alton Multipurpose Senior Center: $20,000
Butler County Council on Aging: $14,538
Cabool Senior Center: $8,661
Care Connection for Aging Services: $25,000
Cassville Senior Center: $13,571
Dade County Senior Citizen Center: $20,000
Douglas County Council on Aging: $11,777
Fun and Friends Senior Center (Thayer): $12,038
Marshfield Senior Center: $3,200
Naylor Nutrition Center: $14,303
Owensville Senior Center: $14,566
Ozark Senior Center: $14,422
Polk County Senior Center: $13,195
Ripley County Senior Citizens Club: $24,800
Salem Nutrition Center: $14,420
Waynesville/St. Robert Senior Center: $4,725
Williamsville Area Association of Senior Citizens: $24,471

**Greene County Senior Citizens’ Service Fund**

The CFO provided $40,000 to support the fund’s grant-making program to senior oriented services.

**Heard Ambler Fund for Senior Centers**

Branson Hollister Senior Center: $3,600
Strafford Senior Center: $4,400

**Let’s Get to Work**

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri: $20,000
City of Springfield’s Department of Workforce Development: $60,000
Coalition of Charities: $30,000
Community Outreach Ministries of Bolivar: $6,000
Community Partnership of the Ozarks: $60,000
Council of Churches of the Ozarks: $10,000
Developmental Center of the Ozarks: $6,000
Drew Lewis Foundation: $60,000
Flourish CDC: $5,000
Freedom’s Rest Family Violence Center: $20,000
Help Give Hope: $50,000
House of Hope: $40,000
The Kitchen Inc.: $10,000
Live 2 Give Hope: $10,000
Missouri Ozarks Community Action: $10,000
Ozarks Action Inc.: $30,000
Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation: $60,000
Springfield Business Development Corporation: $90,000
Texas County Food Pantry: $15,000
West Central Missouri Community Action Agency: $3,000

**Springfield-Greene County Diversity, Equity and Inclusion**

A Girl Like Me Network: $12,000
Drury University: $21,000
Missouri State University: $16,000
Missouri: $20,000
Timmons Hall/Springfield: $21,000
Ujima Language and Literacy: $12,294

**Musgrave Foundation Multi-Year Impact Grants: Foster Families**

CASA of Southwest Missouri: $95,759
The Connecting Grounds: $43,600
Council of Churches of the Ozarks: $50,000
FosterAdopt Connect: $50,000
Great Circle: $50,000

**Musgrave Foundation Multi-Year Impact Grants: Change for Children**

Boys & Girls Clubs of Springfield: $30,000
CASA of Southwest Missouri: $41,097
Ozarks Technical Community College Foundation: $50,000
Ozarks Food Harvest: $25,000
Springfield Greene County Park Board – SPARC: $30,000
Springfield Regional Arts Council: $22,250

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Ozarks: $10,000  
Care to Learn: $10,000  
CASA of Southwest Missouri: $8,900  
Cents of Pride: $10,000  
Child Advocacy Center: $10,000  
Diaper Bank of the Ozarks: $10,000  
Drew Lewis Foundation: $10,000  
East Grand Community Services: $5,000  
Foundation for Springfield Public Schools: $10,000  
The GLO Center: $3,500  
Harmony House: $10,000  
Isabel’s House: $10,000  
Junior Achievement: $10,000  
The Kitchen: $10,000  
Least of These: $5,000  
Mayor’s Commission for Children: $5,000  
Ozarks Food Harvest: $10,000  
Ozarks Literacy Council: $10,000  
Ozark Trails Council – Boy Scouts of America: $5,000  
The Victim Center: $10,000  
Vision Rehabilitation Center of the Ozarks: $6,000  
Women's Medical Respite: $10,000  

Ozarks Early Childhood Support  
All Aboard Learning Center/ Crawford County Foundation Inc.: $30,000  
Cabool Second Baptist Daycare: $30,000  
Children’s Learning Center of Camden County Inc.: $30,000  
Community Support Services of Missouri/Jasper County Sheltered Facilities Association: $30,000  
Delta Area Economic Opportunity Corporation: $30,000  
I Can Too Learning Center/ ICTLC Inc.: $30,000  
Lafayette House/Family Self-Help Center Inc.: $30,000  
Life360 Community Services: $30,000  
Ozark Action Inc.: $44,766.24  
Presbyterian Preschool/First Presbyterian Church of Rolla: $15,233.76  

Ozarks Inclusive Opportunity  
A Girl Like Me Network: $2,000  
The Alliance of Southwest Missouri: $1,999  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Southwest Missouri: $2,000  
Brentwood Christian Church: $1,500  
Central High School/Central Step Team: $2,000  
Crockers Elementary School: $2,000  
developmental center of the Ozarks: $1,000  
East Town Dreams District: $2,000  
The GLO Center: $1,500  
Missouri State University Department of Theatre & Dance: $1,500  

Missouri Stream Team Watershed Coalition: $1,805  
Ozarks Technical Community College Foundation: $1,842  
Queen City Rock Camp: $2,000  
Springfield R-12 Public Schools – Business Associated Student Education: $2,000  
United Community Change: $2,000  
United Ministries in Higher Education: $1,000  

Springfield Regional Arts Council Arts Grant Partnership with Musgrave Foundation  
Ava Art Guild: $3,000  
Connect2Culture: $2,500  
Discovery Center of Springfield: $5,000  
Downtown Springfield Community Cinema (Moxie Cinema): $5,000  
Gilioz Center for Arts and Entertainment: $3,000  
Heartland Opera Theatre: $1,000  
Lighthouse Children’s Theatre of El Dorado Springs: $5,000  
Men’s Chorus of the Ozarks: $2,000  
Missouri State University/Ozarks Public Television: $2,500  
Mt. Vernon Community Theatre: $2,000  
Queen City Rock Camp: $1,500  
Southern Missouri Arts Connection/MIDxMIDWEST: $3,300  
Southern Missouri Arts Connection/Visiting Artist-In-Residence: $4,200  
Springfield Contemporary Theatre: $2,500  
Springfield Regional Opera: $2,500  
Springfield Sister Cities Association: $2,000  
Springfield Symphony Orchestra: $3,000  
The Branson Arts Council Inc: $5,000  

Story of Impact  
“The Let’s Get to Work program has helped my little family so much. Without this program I wouldn’t have been able to keep driving my car to and from work more longer. My tires kept going flat every day and not having the funds to have the tire patched or replaced, I missed some days off work. It was unsafe for my three children to be in my car with the tires bad. … To whoever set this program up, I’d like to thank you and everyone that helps with it.”  
—Sara Eicher
Field-of-Interest Grants

Field-of-Interest funds, including specialty grants, are established by donors who want to make a positive impact on a specific area of philanthropic interest. Overall, grants from these funds cover a large spectrum of community needs, while specific in purpose. In FY22, these funds granted a total of $1,656,511.61.

Animals
- Betsy Pauly Memorial Fund (Carthage Community Foundation): $630
- Vivian Leon Fund for the Musical Arts (Carthage Community Foundation): $2,000
- Seymour Historical Preservation Society Fund (Greater Seymour Area Foundation): $4,962.82

Arts & Culture
- Martha R. Raywood Fund for the Arts: $630
- Douglas County Cultural Arts Fund (Douglas County Community Foundation): $2,000
- The Ruby Robins Trust for Preservation of Local History (Carthage Community Foundation): $2,000
- Rotary Club of Pulaski County Giving Fund (Meramec Regional Community Foundation): $335.49
- Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast Fund: $650

Community Development
- Jennifer Ailor and Don Alday Environmental Fund: $594
- Camp Fire Boys and Girls Ozark Council Endowment Fund: $1,713
- Hermann Area Community Foundation Fund (Community Foundation of the Hermann Area): $5,094.33
- Wilford Kallmeyer Emergency Responders Endowment Fund (Community Foundation of the Hermann Area): $1,000

Education
- Caplan Family Holocaust Fund: $915.20
- Norma A. Carolla Scholarship Fund for Professional Hospice Caregivers: $1,500
- Cartage Rotary Scholarship (Cartage Community Foundation): $1,613.20
- TLCF First Responders Fund (Truman Lake Community Foundation): $9,882.96
- Bass Pro Cares Fund: $337,823.75
- Buchheit Family Foundation Community Assistance Fund (Perry County Community Foundation): $10,475
- Bill and Pat Delano Fund: $3,783
- Clinton Memorial Camp Fund (Truman Lake Community Foundation): $2,555
- Early Childhood Education and Literacy Fund: $80,000
- ETHIC Charitable Fund: $2,000
- Jerry and Tac Caplan Midlife Initiative Fund: $2,000

Employee Benevolence
These funds are established by companies to assist employees and their families in the aftermath of emergencies such as natural disasters, fires or catastrophic health emergencies.
- Bass Pro Cares Fund: $337,823.75
- Buchheit Family Foundation Community Assistance Fund (Perry County Community Foundation): $10,475
- Cabella’s Employee Foundation Fund: $187,915.06
- Empire District Employee Assistance Fund (Perry Community Foundation): $9,795.91
- Hotel Vandivort Benevolence Fund: $3,430.63
- Heritage Foods Employee Benefit Fund (Joplin Regional Community Foundation): $57,045.15
- Kem & Go Assistance Fund: $5,000
- Leggett & Platt We Rise Fund (Carthage Community Foundation): $1,000
- The Leath Fund: $937
- Nathan Karchmer Racial and Religious Tolerance Fund: $1,060
- Miller and Sanford Educational Enhancement Fund: $645
- Nell Sewell Charitable Fund: $6,760
- Southwest Cattlemen’s Association Fund: $9,750
- Elese Tagge Anthony Education Fund: $3,807
- West Plains Cares Fund (Community Foundation of West Plains Inc.): $7,000

Human Services
- 100 Empowered Women of Eldon Fund (Eldon Community Foundation): $16,838
- 100 Fold Fund: $17,684.10
- 100+ Women Who Care – Monett and Surrounding Area Fund (Monett Community Foundation): $5,825
- Bass Pro Cares Fund: $337,823.75
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Paisley Collins Memorial Foundation: $36,350.52
Jack and Helen Curtis FOI: $949
Helen M. Delano Fund: $1,995
DIVAS Fund (Dallas County Community Foundation): $7,070
Patricia A. Downing Fund (Mount Vernon Area Community Foundation): $46,598
Brian Robert Duncan Children and Teens Fund: $431
Dorothy Lanora Evers and William Carl Evers Fund: $442
The Ellis Endowment Fund: $3,062.14
The Ellis Fund: $10,013.71
First Christian Church Endowment Fund (Aurora Area Community Foundation): $3,541
Fit For The Master Fund (Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation): $500
Freedom Foundation Fund (Aurora Area Community Foundation): $2,997.67
C.V. Freese and Fern K. Freese Memorial Charitable Fund: $9,712
Holli’s Marjorie Gurley Young Fund in Memory of Alva E. and Inez Gurley: $23,811
Heart of the Ozarks PBW Fund (Community Foundation of the Lake): $671.79
Henry County Memory Fund (Truman Lake Community Foundation): $12,681.06
Hope for the Journey Fund: $3,992.64
Impact 100 Crawford County Fund (Crawford County Foundation Inc.): $40,000
Impact 100 Ozark Fund (Finley River Community Foundation): $49,000
Kiwanis Club of Ozark Empire
Charitable Contributions Fund: $505
Kiwanis Club of Ozark Empire Shoe Bank Fund: $8,513.97
Lending a Hand Cancer Fund: $2,600
George Lipscomb Memorial Toy Ride Fund (Community Foundation of the Hermann Area): $11,000
Christine A. Loetel Residential Fund: $14,642.78
Luke 10:37 Fund (Dent County Community Foundation): $2,000
Marsh Family Foundation Food and Nutrition Fund (Carthage Community Foundation): $4,090
Harry S. Jewell, Charles McGregor and John McGregor Memorial Endowment Fund: $2,291
Harold D. and Mary A. Mills Memorial Endowment Fund (Truman Lake Community Foundation): $1,741
Mindful Matters Fund (Community Foundation of the Hermann Area): $339.63
Musgrave Fund: $22,339
Nevada Elks #564 – Christmas Baskets Fund (Nevada/Vernon County Community Foundation): $250
Ozark Cares Network Fund (Finley River Community Foundation): $733.47
Hazel and Christine Pauly Fund: $905
Lloyd and Marceleta Ray Fund: $40,000
Ida Rolf Fund: $11,997
Rotary Backpack Program Fund: $12,773.06
Shelly Sachs Foundation: $42,427.85
Edith M. Short Fund: $10,700
Show Me Wagyu Charities
Lyla Adams Children with Disabilities Fund (Barton County Community Foundation): $1,712.45
Southern Missouri Emergency Communications Fund: $250
Bonnie Elaine Van Benthusen Children’s Fund: $2,356
Dr. Ambrose T. Walker and Rev. Carol Walker Fund: $652
Bobbie L. Wilson Memorial Fund: $561
Wounded War Veterans Fund: $2,000

Youth Empowerment Project
These funds supported grantmaking or special projects for YEP chapters established by middle and high schools to encourage young people to participate in philanthropy.
Aurora Youth Empowerment Fund (Aurora Area Community Foundation): $1,850
Carl Junction High School LAUNCH Fund (Joplin Regional Community Foundation): $15,000
Couch Youth Empowerment Fund (Alton Community Foundation): $131.11
Gainesville YEP Backpack Fund (Ozark County Community Foundation): $8,340.92
Willow Springs Youth Empowerment Fund (Willow Springs Community Foundation): $1,101.82
Youth Empowerment Project of Ozark Capacity Building Fund (Finley River Community Foundation): $2,186

Donor-Supported Grantmaking

Of the variety of fund options provided by the CFO to help donors achieve their charitable goals, they boil down to two basic categories. Donor-advised funds allow individuals, families and businesses to set aside charitable gifts to grant them as need arises with their preferred nonprofit agencies and causes. With designated funds, donors specify the benefitting agency up front, then the CFO manages distributions from the fund to ensure the long-term support.

In FY22, donor-advised funds and designated endowments made 4,187 GRANTS totaling $17,616,188.37 to 1,387 NONPROFIT AGENCIES. Of these grants, 84.69% supported agencies in Missouri, reflecting the place-based nature of funds and endowments held at community foundations.

Looking just at endowments, grantmaking totaled $2,521,653.97 through 513 GRANTS, the majority of which were distributed from DESIGNATED ENDOWMENTS—the most consistent, ongoing form of donor-supported grantmaking for nonprofit agencies.

Top 5 Interest Areas

- 21.2% Faith
- 19% Education
- 26.5% Human Services
- 12.6% Public & Social Benefit
- 8.1% Health

Average grant amount ...

$4,207.35

... including plenty of smaller grants!
Donor-advised funds and designated endowments made 768 GRANTS OF $100 OR LESS, totaling $49,885.99, in FY22.
Improving focus in Niangua

Vision and hearing screenings at school don’t only fulfill a requirement. They have a real ability to affect students’ quality of life by identifying conditions that could have adverse effects on educational and social development.

This reality is now impacted by a $5,000 grant from the Coover Charitable Foundation, which funded the purchase of screening equipment for the Webster County district.

“Most of these kids don’t go to a physician,” says Julie Shadwick, nurse for the Niangua R-V School District. “This is their first screening for any kind of deficit for any age.”

If concerns are detected, then information is passed along to parents.

Shadwick tests all students in pre-K through third grade annually, as well as students with an individualized education plan. She’d also like to eventually expand screenings to middle schools. Ultimately, the equipment could impact any of the district’s approximately 350 students.

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“Being a teacher from many years ago, I had to do something,” she says.

Exercising on site in Sarcoxie

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The equipment—including treadmills, dumbbells, elliptical machines and a stationary bike—was made possible by a $4,900 grant from the Coover Charitable Foundation. It’s a benefit to the small town which sees many teachers commute, says Dusty Feather, principal of Sarcoxie’s Wildwood Elementary.

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financial support at Sparta Elementary. The Christian County school received a $5,000 grant from the Coover Charitable Foundation to purchase items for a sensory path and classroom.

“There’s been a lot of research on just the way kids’ brains work. They can’t sit and listen forever,” says Ashley Parent, principal of Sparta Elementary, who formerly taught elementary students. “Some kids can really listen a lot better while they’re moving.”

Parent shows a path of brightly colored floor stickers in a hall of classrooms. The designs create moments for quick movement—such as hopscotch—when it’s needed.

There are “break” corners in classrooms where kids can go for a moment when they need to regroup and refocus. Grant funding helped purchase items for these corners, as well as the enhancement of a dedicated sensory classroom, filled with a number of activities and experiences tailored for students diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder.

Examples in the room include a sequin-lined panel on the wall that kids can feel and a wooden clubhouse. The grant funding also allows the enhancement of the sensory room with new tools, including a swing, a new trampoline and mats for the clubhouse.

Sharing for success in Koshkonong

Roads roll through the hills of Howell County to Koshkonong, a small town known a century ago for its peach production. The sweet fruit once grew prosperity, keeping local folks working—as well as others coming into the area—at its peak in the early 1900s.

Koshkonong’s status as a fruit hub faded into the past. Many jobs left with the last loads of peaches, leaving the community far fewer employment opportunities.

“It’s very impoverished,” says Kristin Turnbough, school counselor at Oregon-Howell County R-III School District’s campus in Koshkonong, of the community’s current reality.

To help students, a $5,000 grant from the Coover Charitable Foundation will pay to stock a sharing closet with basic items—such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant and more.

“New socks,” Turnbough says of another needed item, “because a lot of them don’t have socks. I know mismatched socks are kind of a thing now, but these kids don’t have socks.”

The closet generally contains items that aren’t available with government assistance such as food stamps. Other items may simply be things to which students don’t have ready access. It’s all in an effort to improve the academic success of students and help them avoid the mental trauma associated with bullying.

—by Kailyn McConnell
Affiliate Community Grants

The following grants were made by the CFO’s regional affiliate foundations as competitive, discretionary community grantmaking. In FY22, affiliate foundations granted a total of $1,336,508.92.

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Ash Grove Area Community Foundation
Ash Grove Diaper Bank: $1,642
GRO Ash Grove: $6,000

Aurora Area Community Foundation
Aurora Beautification Company: $3,000
Aurora R-VIII School District: $10,214
Aurora Youth Empowerment: $1,500
Children’s Smile Center: $2,418
Elm Branch Christian Church: $500
First Presbyterian Church–Aurora: $2,974.06
For the Kids: $5,000
Marionville R-IX School District: $3,500
University of Missouri Extension–Lawrence County: $500
Verona Baptist Church: $600
Verona Community Center: $5,000
Verona R-VII School District: $3,700

Barton County Community Foundation
Area Agency on Aging Region X: $3,000
Barton County Memorial Park: $3,000
Fostering Hope: $3,000
Katie’s House: $3,000

Benton County Community Foundation
Lincoln R-II Schools: $1,000
Salvation Army: $500
Warsaw Bible Church: $1,775
Warsaw Parents as Teachers: $324
Warsaw R-VIX School District–Benton County: $750
Community Foundation of the Hermann Area
Ferals In Peril: $500
Franklin County Court
Appointed Special Advocates (CASA): $2,850
Gasconade County R-I School District: $1,800
Hermann Fire Company No. 1: $4,500

Hickory County Community Wellness Foundation
Four Legs and Fur Animal Society: $50
Toys for Kids: $500

Houston Community Foundation
Houston R-I School District: $3,500
Texas County Food Pantry: $50

Jacks Fork Community Foundation
Mountain View-Birch Tree R-III School District: $23,850.48
Shannon County Health Center: $2,500

Joplin Regional Community Foundation
Carl Junction High School LAUNCH: $10,010
Community Clinic of Southwest Missouri: $8,500
High Power Garage: $50,000
Jasper County CASA: $50,000
Loving Grace: $50,000
Southwest Missouri Young Life: $2,000
The Sue Day Life Changer Endowment: $2,000

Community Foundation of the Lake
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lake Area: $2,000
Camdenton Child Advocacy Council: $2,920
Camdenton R-III School District: $3,500

Children’s Learning Center: $2,000
Citizens Against Domestic Violence: $3,500
Food for Morgan County: $750
Heroes Outreach Program: $3,500
Kids Harbor Inc.: $3,500
Lake Area Industries: $990
Lake Arts Council: $2,000
Lake of the Ozarks Stop Human Trafficking Coalition Inc.: $3,500
Local Area Needs Initiative: $3,500
Magic Dragon Trails: $5,000
Medical Missions for Christ: $2,340
The Royal Arts Council: $2,500
Wonderland Camp: $3,500

Lockwood Community Foundation
City of Lockwood: $5,000
Lockwood R-I School District: $5,000

Marshfield Area Community Foundation
City of Niangua: $1,800
Elkland Lions Club: $1,000
Marshfield Child Development Center Inc.: $500
Marshfield Performing Arts Society dba Marshfield Community Theatre: $950
Marshfield R-I School District: $1,500
Marshfield Senior Center: $900
Ozark Trails Council, BSA: $550
Sleep in Heavenly Peace: $1,467.77
TLC Student Fund: $1,000
Webster County: $5,000
Webster County Extension Council: $2,000
Webster County Victim Assistance Program: $1,000

Nixa Community Foundation
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Ozarks: $2,000
Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks: $20,670
Champion Athletes of the Ozarks: $1,300
City of Nixa: $9,400
Freedom’s Rest Family Violence Center: $10,250
Garden Gate Provisions: $3,000
Least of These: $8,925
Nixa Christian Church: $1,200
Nixa Downtown Revitalization Fund: $7,500
Nixa Fire Protection District: $3,000
Nixa Police Department: $1,500
Nixa R-II School District: $3,000
Project Birthday Bag: $3,500
The Child Advocacy Center: $4,400
Volunteers in Medicine Christian County: $8,250

Ozark County Community Foundation
Gainesville Industrial and Community Development Authority: $20,000
Senior Age Area Agency on Aging: $9,000

Republic Community Foundation
Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks: $1,000
Family Life Community Services: $1,000
Meadowview Baptist Church: $1,000
Ozarks Literacy Council: $1,000
People Helping People: $2,600
Republic Community Action Team: $1,000
Republic Pregnancy Resource Center: $1,000
Republic PTO: $1,000
Republic R-III School District: $4,370

Senior Age Area Agency on Aging: $1,000
University of Missouri Extension-Greene County: $500

Community Foundation of Rogersville
Logan-Rogersville R-VIII School District: $2,500
Safe Haven Now: $3,000
Sleep in Heavenly Peace: $2,500

Sarcosie Community Foundation
Come Back Kids Scholarship: $44,089.59
Sarcosie Youth Sports: $500

Ste. Genevieve County Community Foundation
Bloomsdale Volunteer Fire Department: $5,000
City of St. Mary Volunteer Fire Department: $5,000
City of Ste. Genevieve: $4,810
City of Ste. Genevieve Fire Department: $5,000
Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve: $2,000
Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve: $2,400
Friends of Ste. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital: $1,340
Heavenly Hope: $5,000
SEMO Regional Planning & Development Commission: $200,000
St. Vincent De Paul Society-St. Agnes Parish: $75,000
Ste. Genevieve Art Guild: $900
Ste. Genevieve Co. Sheltered Workshop: $3,512
Ste. Genevieve Community Services Forum: $20,016.25
Ste. Genevieve County Community Center: $5,000
Ste. Genevieve County Library: $5,000
Ste. Genevieve Community Foundation: $500
Ste. Genevieve Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society: $5,000

Meramec Regional Community Foundation
Christ Episcopal Church: $500
Council for a Healthy Dent County: $500
Vernon County Respite Care Inc.: $6,223.32

Nevada/Vernon County Community Foundation
Sleep in Heavenly Peace: $20,000
TLC Student Fund: $1,000
Webster County: $5,000
Webster County Extension Council: $2,000
Webster County Victim Assistance Program: $1,000

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Affiliate Community Grants, continued

Ste. Genevieve Sheriff's Department: $31,804
Ste. Genevieve Volunteer Fire Department: $5,000
University of Missouri Extension-Ste. Genevieve County: $4,399.99
Zell Volunteer Fire Department: $5,000

**Greater Seymour Area Foundation**
City of Fordland: $1,014.99
City of Norwood: $330
City of Seymour: $1,000
Friends of the Seymour Community Library: $1,252.74
Mansfield Community Teachers Association: $1,000
Ozarks Family YMCA-Seymour Branch: $1,000
Seymour Nazarene Church: $2,200
Seymour R-II School District: $1,000
Seymour Senior Citizens Center: $1,000

**Stockton Community Foundation**
Stockton R-I School District: $5,400
Stockton Veterans Memorial Fund: $500

**Table Rock Lake Community Foundation**
Central Community United Methodist Church: $3,000
Diaper Bank of the Ozarks: $2,000
His House Foundation: $3,000
Kimberling Area Library Association: $2,800
Shell Knob in the Spotlight: $2,830

**Truman Lake Community Foundation**
AC Athletic Boosters: $3,000
Bikers Against Child Abuse, Osage Valley Chapter: $3,500

**Community Foundation of Taney County**
Christian Action Ministries: $3,500
Faith Community Health Center Inc.: $2,000
Ozarks Public Television: $1,000
Taneyhills Community Library: $1,000
Women's Crisis Center of Taney County: $2,500

**St. Ludger's Fund for Historic Preservation**
West Central Missouri Community Action Agency: $1500

**Community Foundation of West Plains Inc.**
37th Judicial CASA: $2,000
37th Judicial Circuit Adult Drug Court: $2,000
Birthday Blessings: $2,500
Community Interagency Council: $350

**Willard Children's Charitable Foundation**
Willard R-II School District: 14,754.99

**Willow Springs Community Foundation**
Downtown Historic District of Willow Springs Inc.: $1,940
FY22 HIGHLIGHT

Grant funds exchange for rural, urban students

All it takes is a few miles of rolling down Ozarks roads away from Springfield to feel like there’s been a shift from one world to the next. Window views exchange city scenes for rural, and buildings and stop lights for farm fields and open spaces. With those sights come different experiences for folks who live there — but, in some cases, ones that are more similar than expected.

Those realities were explored by high schoolers from Springfield’s Central and Fordland when groups visited each other’s schools in October. The day-long experience, titled “Step in Their Shoes,” was funded by a $2,000 Ozarks Inclusive Opportunity grant from the Community Foundation of the Ozarks. The initiative, now known as the Inclusion & Belonging Grant Program, supports smaller grant requests to ensure the representation of diverse voices in community conversations, engagement and leadership.

“When you’re having conversations with students, a lot of times they don’t really realize the value of growing up in a small town,” said Armando Johnson, a teacher and Equity Champion at Central High School, who led the exchange with Fordland teacher Misty Grandel.

The day started with bright sun in Fordland, where Central students unloaded from the bus at the brick school and started with introductions.

“Ask them any questions you want, and they will do their best to answer them, especially about the classrooms and what it’s like to be at Fordland,” Grandel said. “Hopefully they’ll ask you some questions as well.”

Students then took a tour of the school. The library, greenhouse, band room and science classroom were only a few stops, before the Fordland High School student body gathered in the gym for an assembly.

It began with a performance by Central’s Step team, who demonstrated a dance style featuring synchronized percussive movements and routines. It also ties to storytelling and communication in African American tradition and fraternities in historically Black colleges and universities.

Students next loaded onto a bus, stopped at Chick-fil-A for lunch and then went to Central. There, they broke into micro-tours and Springfield students showed their visitors around the stately vintage school, which has elements dating back to 1893.

Looking back, Johnson says he hopes similar events can take place in the future.

“I just think it’s something that helps our kids grow,” Johnson said. “Being able to go out into the world will see that there are kids who are different from them, but they also share similar experiences.”

—by Kaitlyn McConnell
## Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

June 30, 2022, 2021

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Community Foundation of the Ozarks Inc. & Supporting Organizations

Consolidated Statements of Activities

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<td>17,345,753</td>
<td>(8,069,988)</td>
<td>9,275,765</td>
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| Expenses                 |                           |                       |       |
| Grants and scholarships  | 20,629,658                | —                     | 20,629,658 |
| Programs                 | 1,304,238                 | —                     | 1,304,238 |
| Administrative           | 1,695,196                 | —                     | 1,695,196 |
| Development              | 945,631                   | —                     | 945,631 |
| Total expenses           | 24,574,723                | —                     | 24,574,723 |

Other changes

| Transfer (in) out         | 531,776                   | 1,387,209             | 1,918,985 |
| Split interest agreements | —                         | 360,452               | 360,452 |
| Total other changes       | 531,776                   | 1,747,661             | 2,279,437 |

Increase (decrease) in net assets

| (7,760,746)               | (9,817,649)               | (17,578,395)          | 67,930,935 |

Reclassifications

| 10,472,681                | (10,277,306)              | 195,375              | (36,910) |

Net assets at beginning of year

| 17,088,478                | 275,411,389               | 292,499,867          | 224,605,842 |

Net assets at end of year

| $19,800,413               | $255,316,434              | $275,116,847         | $292,499,867 |

Total Assets by Year

The consolidated financial statements of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks Inc. and supporting organizations for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, have been audited by The Whitlock Co., Certified Public Accountants.

Copies of the report are available for review on the Foundation’s website at cfozarks.org/finance-and-investments.
Affiliate Foundation Profiles

Alton Community Foundation
Established: Aug. 17, 2007
Address: PO Box 261, Alton, MO 65606
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/alton
For More Information: Contact Brenda Ledgerwood, President, at (417) 270-0244 or bjledgerwood@yahoo.com
FY22 Contributions: $31,439
FY22 Distributions: $25,399.20
Distributions since Inception: $487,795.61
Total Assets: $517,464.17

Ash Grove Area Community Foundation
Established: May 29, 2020
Address: 13207 West Farm Road 94, Ash Grove, MO 65604
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/ash-grove-area
For More Information: Contact Tyler Gunlock, President, at (970) 316-1960 or ashgroveareacf@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $6,757.50
FY22 Distributions: $63,620
Distributions since Inception: $187,459.00
Total Assets: $1,137,245.61

Aurora Area Community Foundation
Established: Sept. 11, 2006
Address: PO Box 329, Aurora, MO 65605
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/aurora-area
For More Information: Contact Mike Thach, President, at (417) 229-2897 or michaelthach2@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $244,227.50
FY22 Distributions: $168,654.05
Distributions since Inception: $1,905,652.42
Total Assets: $3,994,584.59

Barton County Community Foundation
Established: Sept. 10, 2015
Address: 2016 W. 10th Street, Lamar, MO 64759
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/barton-county
For More Information: Contact Martin Bunton, President, at (417) 682-2883 or mcbunton1@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $1,996,043.90
FY22 Distributions: $1,715,612.45
Distributions since Inception: $3,341,484.09
Total Assets: $7,285,271.42

Benton County Community Foundation
Established: August 1999
Address: PO Box 787, Warsaw, MO 65355
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/benton-county
For More Information: Contact Shannon Smith, President, at (660) 221-0562 or smithshannon33@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $178,120.80
FY22 Distributions: $37,416.38
Distributions since Inception: $694,165.13
Total Assets: $1,144,072.46

Bolivar Area Community Foundation
Established: April 4, 2003
Address: P.O. Box 996, Bolivar, MO 65613
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/bolivar-area
For More Information: Contact Kelly Parson, President, at (417) 327-4480 or kparson@oakstarbank.com
FY22 Contributions: $1,801,569.33
FY22 Distributions: $740,198.92
Distributions since Inception: $3,651,867.13
Total Assets: $4,220,517.42

Bourbon Community Foundation
Address: PO Box 747, Bourbon, MO 65441
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/bourbon
For More Information: Contact Mary Heywood at (573) 732-4655 or marydheywood@hotmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $2,583.55
FY22 Distributions: $2,000
Distributions since Inception: $80,170.35
Total Assets: $115,864.37

Cabool Community Foundation
Established: Dec. 15, 2020
Address: 618 Main Street, Cabool, MO 65689
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/cabool
For More Information: Contact Dr. Karl Janson at (417) 962-3153, Ext. 401, or kjanson@cabool.k12.mo.us
FY22 Contributions: $33,874.40
FY22 Distributions: $20,109.73
Distributions since Inception: $64,487.97
Total Assets: $219,685.71
### Cape Area Community Foundation
- **Established:** Aug. 26, 2015
- **Address:** 980 N. Kingshighway, Suite 103, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
- **On the Web:** cfozarks.org/affiliates/cape-area
- **For More Information:** Contact Glenn (Skip) Smallwood, President, at (573) 450-4944 or smallsouth@sbcglobal.net
- **FY22 Contributions:** $314,674.37
- **FY22 Distributions:** $198,127.87
- **Distributions since Inception:** $1,350,268.57
- **Total Assets:** $836,222.02

### DACO Community Foundation
- **Established:** Aug. 14, 2006
- **Address:** 34 N. Dade 145, Greenfield, MO 65661
- **On the Web:** cfozarks.org/affiliates/daco
- **For More Information:** Contact Randy Meents, President, at (417) 224-2055 or consultpharmd@gmail.com
- **FY22 Contributions:** $21,882.56
- **FY22 Distributions:** $34,543
- **Distributions since Inception:** $386,138.00
- **Total Assets:** $691,934.84

### Dallas County Community Foundation
- **Established:** Oct. 28, 1998
- **Address:** 509 E. Madison Street, Buffalo, MO 65622
- **On the Web:** cfozarks.org/affiliates/dallas-county
- **For More Information:** Contact Joy Beamer, President, at (417) 733-2576 or joyb@buffaloreflex.com
- **FY22 Contributions:** $21,331.68
- **FY22 Distributions:** $17,070
- **Distributions since Inception:** $325,751.66
- **Total Assets:** $398,375.60

### Dent County Community Foundation
- **Established:** Dec. 22, 1999
- **Address:** PO Box 355, Salem, MO 65560
- **On the Web:** cfozarks.org/affiliates/dent-county
- **For More Information:** Contact Bernie Sirois, President, at (573) 453-6091 or sirois.bernie@gmail.com
- **FY22 Contributions:** $253,039.46
- **FY22 Distributions:** $215,576.83
- **Distributions since Inception:** $1,949,041.64
- **Total Assets:** $2,297,288.26

### Douglas County Community Foundation
- **Established:** July 3, 2003
- **Address:** PO Box 1073, Ava, MO 65608
- **On the Web:** cfozarks.org/affiliates/douglas-county
- **For More Information:** Contact Michelle Bristol, President, at (417) 683-0585 or michelleb.doco@gmail.com
- **FY22 Contributions:** $256,266.53
- **FY22 Distributions:** $26,408.48
- **Distributions since Inception:** $464,177.36
- **Total Assets:** $724,054.20

### Cape Area Community Foundation
- **Established:** Nov. 15, 2004
- **Address:** 805 Main Street, Cassville, MO 65625
- **On the Web:** cfozarks.org/affiliates/cassville
- **For More Information:** Contact Rachel Freeman, Foundation Coordinator, at (417) 671-2291 or cassvillecf@cfozarks.org
- **FY22 Contributions:** $701,883.04
- **FY22 Distributions:** $211,275.09
- **Distributions since Inception:** $1,130,510.63
- **Total Assets:** $2,853,566.33

### Crawford County Foundation Inc.
- **Established:** 2001
- **Address:** PO Box 244, Cuba, MO 65453
- **On the Web:** cfozarks.org/affiliates/crawford-county
- **For More Information:** Contact Kathy Lasley, President, at (573) 205-0345 or lasleydk@gmail.com
- **FY22 Contributions:** $475,006.02
- **FY22 Distributions:** $189,630.66
- **Distributions since Inception:** $4,436,392.22
- **Total Assets:** $2,499,713.31
El Dorado Springs Community Foundation

Established: May 22, 2001
Address: 5620 E. 350 Road, El Dorado Springs, MO 64744
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/el-dorado-springs
For More Information: Contact Kay Forest, President, at (417) 321-4815 or kforest2009@hotmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $41,992.63
FY22 Distributions: $41,366
Distributions since Inception: $672,026.35
Total Assets: $1,091,866.82

Eldon Community Foundation

Established: Feb. 23, 2005
Address: 112 S. Pine, Eldon, MO 65026
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/eldon
For More Information: Contact Matt Davis, President, at (573) 392-8000 or matt.davis@eldonmustangs.org
FY22 Contributions: $358,880.12
FY22 Distributions: $211,544.17
Distributions since Inception: $1,845,893.46
Total Assets: $1,666,263.80

Fair Grove Area Community Foundation

Established: April 5, 2021
Address: PO Box 232, Fair Grove, MO 65648
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/fair-grove-area
For More Information: Contact Bradley Daniels, President, at (417) 759-6000 or bdaniels@shelterinsurance.com
FY22 Contributions: $67,262.40
FY22 Distributions: $7,300
Distributions since Inception: $8,800.00
Total Assets: $216,679.37

Finley River Community Foundation

Established: May 17, 2001
Address: PO Box 1176, Ozark, MO 65721
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/finley-river
For More Information: Contact Mike Woody, President, at (417) 294-7572 or frcfaffiliate@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $3,449,220.59
FY22 Distributions: $749,698.52
Distributions since Inception: $4,952,621.63
Total Assets: $4,681,095.73

Community Foundation of the Hermann Area

Established: June 6, 2005
Address: PO Box 62, Hermann, MO 65041
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/hermann
For More Information: Contact Ron Kraettli, President at (314) 602-5656 or hermanncommunityfoundation@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $567,947.69
FY22 Distributions: $315,597.17
Distributions since Inception: $3,203,801.85
Total Assets: $3,062,488.10

Hickory County Community Wellness Foundation

Established: Dec. 11, 1999
Address: 18376 New Hermitage Drive, Hermitage, MO 65668
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/hickory-county
For More Information: Contact Gary Edwards at (417) 399-6034 or garymoedwards@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $3,440.94
FY22 Distributions: $5,800
Distributions since Inception: $161,009.67
Total Assets: $394,761.69

Houston Community Foundation

Established: April 24, 2006
Address: PO Box 156, Houston, MO 65483
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/houston
For More Information: Contact Ross Richardson, President, at (817) 403-7203 or rosslindary81@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $157,334.77
FY22 Distributions: $17,687
Distributions since Inception: $538,280.82
Total Assets: $1,166,686.63

Jacks Fork Community Foundation

Established: June 23, 2004
Address: PO Box 1030, Mountain View, MO 65548
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/jacks-fork
For More Information: Contact Charles Cantrell, President, at (417) 934-2226 or mvlaw@centurytel.net
FY22 Contributions: $175,540.06
FY22 Distributions: $28,417.40
Distributions since Inception: $399,951.74
Total Assets: $272,674.32
**Joplin Regional Community Foundation**
*Established: Dec. 16, 2006*
*Address: PO Box 471, Joplin, MO 64802*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/joplin-regional*
*For More Information: Contact Pete Ramsour, Foundation Manager, at (417) 439-7328 or joplinrcf@cfozarks.org*
*FY22 Contributions: $9,044,107.02*
*FY22 Distributions: $8,448,060.52*
*Distributions since Inception: $59,653,573.66*
*Total Assets: $10,897,785.76*

**Community Foundation of the Lake**
*Established: Aug. 3, 2009*
*Address: PO Box 1413, Lake Ozark, MO 65049*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/lake-of-the-ozarks*
*For More Information: Contact Jan Amos, Foundation Coordinator, at (321) 258-5828 or cflake@cfozarks.org*
*FY22 Contributions: $998,021.95*
*FY22 Distributions: $541,243.98*
*Distributions since Inception: $2,729,486.06*
*Total Assets: $2,791,028.39*

**Lockwood Community Foundation**
*Established: Feb. 25, 1998*
*Address: P.O. Box 1, Lockwood, MO 65682*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/lockwood*
*For More Information: Contact Renee Galer, President, at (417) 232-4975 or reneegaler@prairiemountain.net*
*FY22 Contributions: $6,039,079.35*
*FY22 Distributions: $14,055*
*Distributions since Inception: $3,182,348.79*
*Total Assets: $7,878,613.44*

**Marshfield Area Community Foundation**
*Established: June 3, 2005*
*Address: PO Box 427, Marshfield, MO 65706*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/marshfield-area*
*For More Information: Contact Rachel Andrews, Foundation Coordinator, at (417) 880-8984 or marshfieldareaacf@cfozarks.org*
*FY22 Contributions: $258,289.38*
*FY22 Distributions: $199,228.55*
*Distributions since Inception: $2,696,343.90*
*Total Assets: $3,800,836.77*

**Meramec Regional Community Foundation**
*Established: June 4, 2010*
*Address: 4 Industrial Drive, St. James, MO 65559*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/meramec-regional*
*For More Information: Contact Maria Bancroft, Foundation Coordinator, at (573) 265-2993 or mbancroft@meramecregion.org*
*FY22 Contributions: $581,886.19*
*FY22 Distributions: $283,753.45*
*Distributions since Inception: $1,365,111.89*
*Total Assets: $3,582,935.89*

**Monett Area Community Foundation**
*Established: Sept. 3, 1998*
*Address: PO Box 362, Monett, MO 65708*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/monett-area*
*For More Information: Contact Beth Nation, President, at (417) 489-4202 or rbdcnation@gmail.com*
*FY22 Contributions: $499,233.21*
*FY22 Distributions: $446,955.75*
*Distributions since Inception: $3,704,224.25*
*Total Assets: $4,162,021.82*

**Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation**
*Established: Feb. 25, 2004*
*Address: PO Box 404, Mountain Grove, MO 65711*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/mountain-grove-area*
*For More Information: Contact Dr. David Barbe, President, at (417) 926-6111 or dbarbe_md@yahoo.com*
*FY22 Contributions: $4,024,857.43*
*FY22 Distributions: $1,594,970.31*
*Distributions since Inception: $2,456,572.42*
*Total Assets: $2,776,287.19*

**Mount Vernon Area Community Foundation**
*Established: March 16, 2005*
*Address: P.O. Box 228, Mt. Vernon, MO 65712*
*On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/mount-vernon-area*
*For More Information: Contact Bethany Patterson, President, at (417) 466-3076 or bethlyn@hotmail.com*
*FY22 Contributions: $114,044.95*
*FY22 Distributions: $109,790.75*
*Distributions since Inception: $1,971,663.64*
*Total Assets: $2,258,369.81*
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Neosho Area Community Foundation
Established: March 16, 2011
Address: 312 S. Wood St, Neosho, MO 64850
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/neosho-area
For More Information: Contact Blake Hierholzer, President, at (417) 451-2345 or bthierho@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $186,002
FY22 Distributions: $16,000
Distributions since Inception: $161,791.25
Total Assets: $1,399,182.45

Nevada/Vernon County Community Foundation
Established: Oct. 12, 2020
Address: PO Box 411, Nevada, MO 64772
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/nevada-vernon-county
For More Information: Contact Amy Bishop, Foundation Coordinator, at (417) 684-5309 or NevadaVernonCF@cfozarks.org
FY22 Contributions: $147,042.33
FY22 Distributions: $27,741.32
Distributions since Inception: $51,921.32
Total Assets: $477,375.45

Nixa Community Foundation
Established: Nov. 18, 1993
Address: PO Box 1821, Nixa, MO 65714
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/nixa
For More Information: Contact Jimmy Liles, President, at (417) 818-0706 or jliles@nixa.com
FY22 Contributions: $466,577.94
FY22 Distributions: $696,796.60
Distributions since Inception: $4,436,988.67
Total Assets: $2,541,327.96

Owensville Area Community Foundation
Established: March 27, 2015
Address: 236 Hwy. 50, Rosebud, MO 63091
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/owensville-area
For More Information: Contact Shannon Grus at (573) 764-4791 or shannon.grus@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $59,762.10
FY22 Distributions: $4,000
Distributions since Inception: $154,241.67
Total Assets: $218,159.83

Ozark County Community Foundation
Established: Jan. 23, 2003
Address: PO Box 68, Gainesville, MO 65655
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/ozark-county
For More Information: Contact Kerrie Zubrod, President at (417) 679-3321 or kerrie.zubrod@cbozarks.com
FY22 Contributions: $84,194.12
FY22 Distributions: $75,038.54
Distributions since Inception: $931,427.62
Total Assets: $973,421.40

Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation
Established: Nov. 28, 2011
Address: 3019 Fair Street, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/ozark-foothills
For More Information: Contact Lydia Keller at (573) 785-6402 or lydia@ofrpc.org
FY22 Contributions: $426,821.54
FY22 Distributions: $170,133.57
Distributions since Inception: $739,273.93
Total Assets: $1,865,782.87

Perry County Community Foundation
Established: Dec. 12, 2014
Address: 508 N. Main Street, Suite B, Perryville, MO 63775
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/perry-county
For More Information: Contact Angela Swan, President at (573) 547-1097 or pccfperryvillemo@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $312,425.37
FY22 Distributions: $79,669.63
Distributions since Inception: $2,068,227.74
Total Assets: $485,433.63

Republic Community Foundation
Established: Nov. 19, 2004
Address: PO Box 899, Republic, MO 65738
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/republic
For More Information: Contact Alexandria Holmes, President, at (417) 732-5575 or alexandriapiage.od@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $70,890.10
FY22 Distributions: $113,910.98
Distributions since Inception: $1,112,989.76
Total Assets: $1,013,329.52

Nevada Area Community Foundation
Established: March 16, 2011
Address: 312 S. Wood St, Neosho, MO 64850
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/neosho-area
For More Information: Contact Blake Hierholzer, President, at (417) 451-2345 or bthierho@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $186,002
FY22 Distributions: $16,000
Distributions since Inception: $161,791.25
Total Assets: $1,399,182.45

Ozark County Community Foundation
Established: Jan. 23, 2003
Address: PO Box 68, Gainesville, MO 65655
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/ozark-county
For More Information: Contact Kerrie Zubrod, President at (417) 679-3321 or kerrie.zubrod@cbozarks.com
FY22 Contributions: $84,194.12
FY22 Distributions: $75,038.54
Distributions since Inception: $931,427.62
Total Assets: $973,421.40
Ripley County Community Foundation
Established: June 26, 2003
Address: 1378 Bill Virdon Blvd, West Plains MO 65775
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/ripley-county
For More Information: Contact Joe Kammerer, Central Region Manager, at (417) 256-4725 or jkammerer@cfozarks.org
FY22 Contributions: $760,000
FY22 Distributions: $7,332
Distributions since Inception: $50,652.00
Total Assets: $1,095,410.49

Community Foundation of Rogersville
Established: Nov. 12, 2015
Address: P.O. Box 474, Rogersville, MO 65742
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/rogersville
For More Information: Contact Brian VanFosson, President, at (417) 753-2836 or blv@cbofr.com
FY22 Contributions: $205,904.26
FY22 Distributions: $243,834.14
Distributions since Inception: $656,960.18
Total Assets: $1,294,085.41

Ste. Genevieve County Community Foundation
Established: April 4, 2003
Address: PO Box 427, Ste. Genevieve, MO 63670
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/ste-genevieve-county
For More Information: Contact Sandra Cabot, President, at (314) 517-4674 or sandracabot360@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $141,935.64
FY22 Distributions: $365,960.18
Distributions since Inception: $4,932,350.58
Total Assets: $1,102,020.54

St. James Area Community Foundation
Established: May 13, 2003
Address: PO Box 622, St. James, MO 65559
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/st-james-area
For More Information: Contact Jack Kearby at (573) 263-1956 or jackok2@hotmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $33,725
FY22 Distributions: $5,019
Distributions since Inception: $149,331.45
Total Assets: $145,958.79

Sarcoxie Community Foundation
Established: Sept. 7, 2011
Address: P.O. Box 77, Sarcoxie, MO 64862
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/sarcoxie
For More Information: Contact Gary Turner, President, at (417) 825-3036 or turner.gary.69@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $324,226.13
FY22 Distributions: $181,937.34
Distributions since Inception: $781,388.21
Total Assets: $712,621.99

Greater Seymour Area Foundation
Established: Aug. 13, 1998
Address: PO Box 232, Seymour, MO 65746
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/seymour-area
For More Information: Contact Renne Wallace, President, at (417) 343-9171 or bubnay@yahoo.com
FY22 Contributions: $13,825.19
FY22 Distributions: $62,653.52
Distributions since Inception: $1,150,673.22
Total Assets: $1,619,691.70

Stockton Community Foundation
Established: May 2, 2002
Address: PO Box 105, Stockton, MO 65785
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/stockton
For More Information: Contact Kim Jasper, President, at (417) 276-4537 or kchismjasper77@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $113,405.45
FY22 Distributions: $27,877.04
Distributions since Inception: $1,055,013.98
Total Assets: $975,908.13

Table Rock Lake Community Foundation
Established: March 31, 2004
Address: PO Box 1073, Branson West, MO 65737
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/table-rock-lake
For More Information: Contact Eric Chavez, President, at (417) 739-1739 or attychavez@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $157,237.63
FY22 Distributions: $1,083,450.87
Distributions since Inception: $10,088,142.18
Total Assets: $3,182,056.10
Affiliate Foundation Profiles, continued

Community Foundation of Taney County
Established: April 23, 2002
Address: PO Box 8960, Springfield, MO 65801
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/taney-county
For More Information: Contact Ashley Silva, Assistant Vice President of Affiliates, at (417) 864-6199 or asilva@cfozarks.org
FY22 Contributions: $2,533,933.77
FY22 Distributions: $639,917.36
Distributions since Inception: $5,695,091.24
Total Assets: $9,290,613.98

Truman Lake Community Foundation
Established: May 15, 2000
Address: PO Box 463, Clinton, MO 64735
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/truman-lake
For More Information: Contact Jim Cook, President, at (660) 351-4720 or trumanlakefoundation@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $277,703.79
FY22 Distributions: $392,707.77
Distributions since Inception: $6,043,224.33
Total Assets: $10,123,057.71

Community Foundation of West Plains Inc.
Established: Mar. 31, 2004
Address: 401 Jefferson Avenue, West Plains, MO 65775
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/west-plains
For More Information: Contact Eric Gibson, President, at (417) 204-5456 or cfofwestplains@gmail.com
FY22 Contributions: $1,346,031.61
FY22 Distributions: $203,127.66
Distributions since Inception: $2,745,121.59
Total Assets: $3,014,801.21

Willard Children’s Charitable Foundation
Established: Aug. 24, 2005
Address: c/o Tammy Conner, 500 Kime St., Willard, MO 65781
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/willard
For More Information: Contact Rachel Griffin, President, at (417) 742-2584 or rachel@wilsongriffin.com
FY22 Contributions: $10,584.28
FY22 Distributions: $24,545.99
Distributions since Inception: $619,004.54
Total Assets: $412,000.64

Willow Springs Community Foundation
Established: March 15, 2001
Address: 127 E. Main Street, Willow Springs, MO 65793
On the Web: cfozarks.org/affiliates/willow-springs
For More Information: Contact Phil Chafrin, President, at (417) 469-1400 or willowspringscf@yahoo.com
FY22 Contributions: $20,505.06
FY22 Distributions: $11,142.82
Distributions since Inception: $674,520.61
Total Assets: $218,320.73
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- **Opening the Let’s Get to Work Fund** to support transportation-related expenses for workers and job seekers across a 14-county region. This need rose to the top during a series of Donor Education sessions on how philanthropy could support challenges to recruiting and retaining workers. (Read more on page 23.)

- **Researching and seeding a partnership with St. Louis’ Network for Strong Communities** to open a Springfield-based office to expand capacity-building services for the CFO’s nearly 700 nonprofit partners.

- **Adding part-time coordinators** for now 10 affiliate foundations, where assets have increased by an average of 160% since the affiliate coordinator program started.

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One of FY22’s internal projects supported by the Founders Fund was replacement of several windows where, we joke, we could start providing take-out services from our leadership and development teams including, from left: Winter Kinne, Brian Fogle, Alice Wingo, Millie Schuchmann and Ashley Silva.
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A dream 15 years in the making came true in November 2022, when the Harry M. Cornell Arts & Entertainment Complex officially opened.

Known affectionately as the Cornell Complex, the 37,000-square-foot center is a destination for arts and cultural tourism in downtown Joplin. It’s the new home of Connect2Culture, Joplin’s community arts agency as recognized by the Missouri Arts Council, and the George A. Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin’s first arts center with ties to the 1940s. Both organizations are agency partners of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Between the two organizations that now call it home — Connect2Culture focusing on performing arts, and Spiva on visual — the Cornell Complex offers a new place to celebrate the arts through indoor and outdoor theaters, galleries, shared spaces, places to gather, and more.

“Fifteen years ago, local arts organization leaders came together and decided they wanted to help each other and not view each other as competitors,” says Sharon Beshore, president of the Cornell Complex and chair of both Connect2Culture and the Missouri Arts Council. “They wanted to collaborate and said, ‘let’s work together to make things happen for the arts.’”

More than $19 million was raised through the capital campaign, which was administered through multiple funds held with the CFO and the Joplin Regional Community Foundation. The spectrum of needs was wide: Funds were structured to support the construction work and operating expenses; an endowment was established for future support; and donor-designated gifts and a charitable lead unitrust provide for long-term maintenance to the facility.

“People really got on board — businesses, individuals, foundations, organizations. It’s all about people leading this effort and their relationship with others, or people who have a passion,” says Clifford Wert, treasurer of the Cornell Complex. “By building a visual and performing arts center, people from both constituencies came together, along with community members who knew the economic impact it would have.”

More than 350 donors contributed to the project, including the late Harry M. Cornell Jr., Beshore’s father, who made the $5 million lead naming gift for the facility in December 2017.

“The whole community came together, supported it, and are really excited,” Beshore says.

—by Kaitlyn McConnell
Agency Partners

Listed below are the nearly 700 agency partners of the CFO and its 53 regional affiliate foundations as of June 30, 2022. **Bolded names** indicated new agency partners that joined in FY22. Agency partners are 501(c)3 nonprofits or organizations with similar tax-exempt status, such as civic, educational and faith institutions, that have established funds with the CFO and its affiliates. To learn more, visit cfozarks.org/nonprofit-partners.

**Springfield/Regional**

- AIDS Project of the Ozarks
- All Saints Anglican Church
- Arc of the Ozarks
- Askinosie Foundation
- The Association for the Blind
- BEST Foundation
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Ozarks
- Borrow My Angel Foundation
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Springfield
- Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks
- Brentwood Christian Church
- Bryant Watershed Project Inc.
- Burrell Foundation
- Chadwick School Foundation
- Cents of Pride
- Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri
- Carroll County Senior Center
- CASA of Southwest Missouri
- Christian Campus Ministry
- Christian Associates of Southern Missouri
- Cent for the Blind
- Chadwick School Foundation
- Charleston R-I School District
- The Christ Advocacy Center
- Christ Episcopal Church Foundation
- Christian Associates of Table Rock Lake
- Christian Campus Ministry
- City of Springfield
- City Utilities
- Clearwater R-I School Foundation
- Community Blood Center of the Ozarks
- Community Hospices of America Foundation LLC
- Community Partnership of the Ozarks
- Community Counseling
- Consumer Credit Counseling
- Convoy of Hope
- Conway School Foundation
- Council of Churches of the Ozarks
- Crosslines
- Crossroads Pet Breeders
- Dent County Commons Association
- Developmental Center of the Ozarks
- Discovery Center of Springfield
- Discovery Garden Montessori School
- Don’t Meth With Missouri
- Doula Foundation
- Down Syndrome Group of the Ozarks
- Downtown Council of Champions
- Downtown Springfield Community Cinema
- DreamIT MakeIT
- Drew Lewis Foundation Inc.
- Dynamic Strides Therapy Inc.
- East Newton R-6 Charitable Foundation
- East Prairie R-II School District Foundation
- Eden Village/The Gathering Tree
- Eleven Point Valley Community Center
- Eminence Area Arts Council
- Empower: Abilities Encompass Academy
- Epilepsy Foundation of Missouri and Kansas
- Fair Grove United Methodist Church
- Fair Haven Children’s Home Family Life Community Services
- Farmers Market of the Ozarks
- First Unitarian Universalist Church
- Foster Adopt Connect Springfield
- THE FOUNDATION: The Council of Churches of the Ozarks
- Foundation for Fair Grove Public Schools
- Foundation for Food and Farm Connections
- Foundation for Springfield Public Schools
- Friends Against Hunger
- Friends of Abilities First
- Friends of the Garden
- Friends of the Springfield-Greene County Library District
- Friends of the Zoo
- Friends of Timmons Temple Inc.
- Gathering Friends for the Homeless Inc.
- Gay and Lesbian Community Center of the Ozarks
- The Geek Foundation
- Generations Village
- Gillioz Theatre
- Girl Scouts of the Missouri Heartland Inc.
- Girls on the Run
- Southwest Missouri
- Gloria Deo Academy
- Good Samaritan Boys Ranch
- GRASP
- Gray-Campbell Farmstead
- Graydon Springs
- Outdoor Legacy
- Greater Ozarks Audubon Society
- Greene County 100 Club
- Greene County Extension Council
- Greene County Family Justice Center Alliance
- Greene County Historical Society
- Greene County Medical Society Alliance
- Greenfield Education Foundation Inc.
- Grupo Latinoamericano
- GYN Cancers Alliance
- Habitat for Humanity of Springfield
- Happy Hollow Bible Camp
- Harmony House
- Hartville R-II School District
- Hartville School Foundation
- Heart of the Ozarks
- Sertoma Club
- Help Give Hope
- Historic Preservation Society
- History Museum on the Square
- Holcomb Education Foundation
- Holland Elementary School PTA
- Honor Flight of the Ozarks
- Hope For Exodus
- HOPE Foundation
- Hospice Foundation of the Ozarks
- Humane Society of Southwest Missouri
- I Pour Life
- In Time of Need Foundation Inc.
- Include Ozarks
- Infinity Academy
- International Institute of Metropolitan St. Louis
- Irish Festival Association
- Isabel’s House – Crisis Nursery of the Ozarks
- Jacob’s Ladder Care Services Inc.
- James River Basin Partnership
- Jefferson Franklin Community Action Corporation
- John Calvin Presbytery
- Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife Foundation
- Journey Home of Johnson County
- Junior Achievement of the Ozarks Inc.
- Junior League of Springfield
- K9s For Camo Inc.
- Kalee Squad Foundation
- Kern Senior Center
- Kidz ‘n Power of the Ozarks Inc.
- Kimberley Area Library Association
- Kindness Empowers Youth
- Kinetic Bridges
- The Kitchen Foundation
- The Kitchen Inc.
- Kiwanis Foundation of Downtown Springfield
- Koshkonong School
- Betterment Foundation
- Laura Ingalls Wilder Foundation
- Leadership Springfield
- Legal Services of Southern Missouri
- LifeHouse Crisis
- Maternity Home
- Lighthouse Child and Family Development Center
- Little Joe Transplant Trust Fund
- Lives Under Construction
- Boys Ranch
- Lost and Found Inc.
- Lutheran Family & Children Services
- Margaret Gray Senior Center
- Marionville R-I School District
- Marshall Senior Center
- The MASTERS
- Mercy Health Foundation
- Springfield
- Mid-America Performing Arts Foundation
- Mid-America Transplant Foundation
- Midtown Neighborhood Association
Agency Partners, continued

Missouri Baptist Children's Home and Family Ministries
Missouri Budget Project
Missouri College Access Network
Missouri Community Development Society
Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation
Missouri Cybersecurity Center of Excellence
Missouri Environmental Education Association
Missouri Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Missouri Hospice & Palliative Care Association
Missouri Prairie Foundation
Missouri Retired Teachers Foundation
Missouri Rock Island Trail Inc.
Missouri Sports Hall of Fame
Missouri Stream Team
Watershed Coalition
Missouri Veterinary Medical Foundation
Missouri Youth Soccer Association
MLPA Scholarship Foundation
MS Wellness Foundation
Music Monday of the Ozarks
Music Therapy of the Ozarks
NAMI of Southwest Missouri
OACAC
Odessa Senior Center
On Angels’ Wings
OTC Foundation
Ozark Greenways
Ozark Mountain Chapter – Sons of the American Revolution
Ozark Regional Land Trust
Ozark Society – Schoolcraft Chapter
Ozark Trails Council BSA
Ozarks Counseling Center
Ozarks Food Harvest
Ozarks Health Advocacy Foundation
Ozarks Healthcare
Ozarks Healthcare Foundation
Ozarks Literacy Council
Ozarks Public Television
Ozarks Regional YMCA
Ozarks SySTEAMic Coalition
Ozarks Water Watch: Upper White River Basin Foundation
Parkinson’s Group of the Ozarks
Paws Pet Pantry
PFLAG – Springfield
 Phelps County Family Crisis Services Inc.
Plotline
Potters for Peace
Pregnancy Care Center
Queen City Sertoma Club
The Rebound Foundation
Rescue One
Ronald McDonald House
Rotary Club Springfield
Southeast Endowment Inc.
Rural Community Alliance
Rural Schools Collaborative
Safe and Sober Inc.
Sculpture Walk Springfield
Sedalia Pettis County United Way
Sedalia Senior Center
Show Me Youth Ag Academy
Simmering Center Inc.
SMVOA Scholarship Fund
Southminster Presbyterian Church
Southwest Missouri Museum Associates
Spay/Neuter Assistance Program
Springfield Animal Advocacy Foundation
Springfield Art Museum
Springfield Art Museum Foundation
Springfield Ballet
Springfield Black Tie
Springfield Business Development Corporation
Springfield Community Gardens
Springfield Community Sports Development Program Fund
Springfield Compost Collective
Springfield Contemporary Theatre
Springfield Daily Citizen Inc.
Springfield Dream Center
Springfield Greene County Public Library Foundation
Springfield Host Lions Club
Springfield Little Theatre
Springfield Regional Arts Council
Springfield Regional Opera
Springfield Sertoma Club
Springfield Sister Cities Association
Springfield Symphony Orchestra
Springfield Tech Council
Springfield Urban Agriculture Coalition
Springfield Victory Mission
Springfield Visual Arts Alliance
Springfield Youth Hockey Association
Springfield-Greene County Library District
Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management
Springfield-Greene County Park Board
Stars and Stripes Museum/Library
Stars for Autism
Strafford School Foundation
Student African American Brotherhood
Sullivan School Foundation
Summersville School Foundation
The Summit Preparatory School
SuperStars of Point Temple Israel
Three Rivers Endowment Trust
Trails Regional Library Warrensburg Branch
Trailspring Inc.
Trinity Presbyterian Church
Tumbling Creek Cave Foundation
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United Ministries in Higher Education
United Way of the Ozarks
Valle Schools Foundation Inc.
Van Buren High School Scholarship Foundation
Vanguard Marriage and Family Advocates
Victim Center Inc.
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Waynesville R-VI School District Foundation
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West Central Community Missouri Action Agency
West Plains Public Library Foundation
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Women’s Medical Respite Center
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Benton County Health Department
Benton County Museum
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Cole Camp Library
Warsaw Education Foundation
Warsaw R-IX School District
Warsaw Senior Center

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Abundance Ministries
Bolivar R-I School District
Community Outreach Ministries
Eden Animal Haven
North Ward Museum
Polk County Fair Board
Polk County Genealogical Society
Polk County House of Hope
Polk County Library
Service Oriented Aviation Readiness (S.O.A.R.)
Southwest Baptist University
Zion Lutheran Church

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Crawford County R-I School PTO
Crawford County R-I School District
Crawford County R-I School Foundation
Mid-Ozarks CASA

Cabool Community Foundation
Cabool Education Foundation
Cabool R-IV School District

Cape Area Community Foundation
Baptist Student Center of Southeast Missouri
Cape Girardeau County Extension Service
Cape Girardeau County Sheriff’s Office
Cape Girardeau Fire Department
Cape Girardeau Police Department
Cape Girardeau Public Schools Foundation
Cape Girardeau Regional Airport Foundation
CASA of Southeast Missouri Inc.
Community Counseling Center Foundation
PORCH Initiative
Southeast Council on Philanthropy
Southeast Missouri Council on the Arts
Southeast Missouri Network Against Sexual Violence
Trinity Lutheran School Foundation

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Boots Court Foundation
Bright Futures Carthage
Carthage Area United Way
Carthage Council on the Arts
Carthage Crisis Center
Carthage Crosslines Ministry
Carthage Historic Preservation Inc.
Carthage Literacy Council
Carthage Public Library
Carthage Public Library Development Foundation
Community Theatre for Southwest Missouri
Fair Acres Family YMCA Inc.
Grace Episcopal Church
Kellogg Lake Nature Center and Preserve
McCune-Brooks Healthcare Foundation Inc.
Powers Museum
Rapha House International Inc.
St. Luke’s Nursing Center
Vision Carthage
Vivian Stuber Memorial Library

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Barry Electric Cooperative
Cassville R-IV School District
Haven of the Ozarks
Animal Sanctuary
Southwest R-V School District

Crawford County Foundation Inc.
All Aboard Learning Center
Crawford County 911 Emergency Services
Crawford County R-II Schools Scholarship Fund Inc.
Cuba Trinity Chapel
Friday Backpacks for Cuba
Steelville Arts Council
Viva Cuba Inc.

Daco Community Foundation
City of Greenfield
Dade County Health Department
Dadeville-R-2 School District
Greenfield R-IV School District

Dallas County Community Foundation
Dallas County Arts Council
Dallas County Economic Development Group
Dallas County Health Department
Dallas County R-I School District
Dallas County Technical Center

Denton County Community Foundation
Bonebrake Center of Nature and History
City of Salem Council for a Healthy Dent County
Dent County Museum
Ozark Riverways Foundation
Riverways Pregnancy Resource Center

Edwin P. and Mary Streck Educational Foundation
Gasconade County Historical Society
Gasconade County R-I Alumni Association
Gasconade County R-I School District
Hermann Area District Hospital Foundation
Hermann Fire Company No. 1
Hermann Food Pantry
Historic Hermann Inc.
Just Call Me Ray
Showboat Community Theatre

Hickory County Community Wellness Foundation
Hickory County Arts Council
Hickory County CARES
Hickory County Senior Citizens Inc.
Weaubleau R-III School District

Houston Community Foundation
First Baptist Church – Houston
Houston R-I Education Foundation
Texas County Food Pantry
Texas County Memorial Hospital Healthcare Foundation

Jacks Fork Community Foundation
Friends of the Mountain View Library
Good Samaritan Care Clinic

Joplin Regional Community Foundation
Ascent Recovery Residences
Aspire of Southwest Missouri
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Jasper and Newton Counties Inc.
Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Missouri
Bright Futures: Joplin
Building Bridges (Circles Joplin)

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College Heights Christian School
Community Clinic of Southwest Missouri
Community Support Services
Connect2Culture
Creative Learning Alliance
Crosslines Churches of the Joplin Area
Downtown Joplin Alliance
EastTown Dreams District
Family Self Help Center Inc.
dba Lafayette House
First Presbyterian Church of Joplin
Fostering Hope
Harry M. Cornell Arts & Entertainment Complex
Hope City Church
Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce Foundation – One Joplin
Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity
Joplin Family YMCA
Joplin Humane Society
Joplin Neighborhood Adult Literacy Action
Joplin R-VIII School Foundation
Joplin Regional Medical School Alliance
Joplin Workshops Inc.
LifeChoices
LovinGrace
Missouri Southern Foundation
Pro Musica
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Solace House of the Ozarks
Southwest Missouri Community Alliance
Southwest Missouri Young Life
St. Paul’s United Methodist Church of Joplin
Tri-State Area Contractors Association Inc.
Watered Gardens
Wildcat Glades Friends Group
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Community Foundation of the Lake
Branches for the Lake
Camden County Child Advocacy Council
Can-Am Police Fire Games
Central Missouri Foster Care & Adoption Association
Children’s Learning Center
Dream Factory of Lake of the Ozarks
Food for Morgan County Kids Harbor Inc.
Lake Area Big Brothers Big Sisters
Lake Area Industries
Lake Arts Council
Lake of the Ozarks Development Center Inc.
Lake of the Ozarks Idiots Club Inc.
Lake of the Ozarks Stop Human Trafficking Coalition Inc.
Live 2 Give Hope
Local Area Needs Initiative Medical Missions for Christ
Missouri Forget-Me-Not Horse Rescue and Sanctuary
Osage Beach Senior Center Inc.
Stover Animal Rescue Inc.
Westlake Aquatic Center Inc.
Wonderland Camp

Lockwood Community Foundation
LGL Inc.
Lockwood R-I School District
Lockwood United Methodist Church
Restore Hope Against Addiction

Marshfield Area Community Foundation
Conway Senior Services Inc.
Friends of Hidden Waters Inc.
Marshfield Community Theatre
Marshfield Senior Center
Marshfield-Webster County Route 66 Initiative Inc.
Niangua Fire Protection District

Niangua TLC
TLC Student Fund
Webster County Historical Society
Webster County Victim Assistance Program

Meramec Regional Community Foundation
Assistance Association
Missouri Veterans Cemetery Ft. Leonard Wood
CASA of South Central Missouri
The Community Partnership Hope Alliance of Missouri
Kaleidoscope Discovery Center
Maries County R-II Archery Club
Maries County R-II PTO
Maries County R-II School District
Maries County R-II School Foundation
Meramec Regional Planning Commission
Osage County R-3 Fatima School
Ozark Actors Theatre
Phelps Connections for Seniors
Phelps County Animal Welfare League
Phelps County Humane Society
The Rolla Mission
Rolla Nutrition Site
Vichy Volunteer Fire Protection Association
Washington County Community Partnership

Monett Area YMCA
Monett Chamber Foundation
Monett Historical Society
Monett Public Schools Foundation
Monett R-I School District
Ozark Festival Orchestra
Pierce City R-VI School District
Southwest Missouri Lutheran High School Waymark Church

Mount Vernon Area Community Foundation
First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon

Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation
Mountain Grove Lions Club Foundation
Mountain Grove R-III School District
Wright County Historical Society

Neosho Area Community Foundation
Faithful Friends Animals Advocates
Neosho Arts Council
Neosho Newton County Library
Neosho R-5 Charitable Foundation
New-Mac CASA

Nevada/Vernon County Community Foundation
City of Nevada

Nevada Regional Medical Center Foundation
On My Own Foundation

Nixa Community Foundation
Christian County Library Foundation
Family Through Faith Ministries
Least of These Making Hope Fund
Nixa Downtown Revitalization Committee

Nixa Education Foundation
Nixa Fire Protection District

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Art Works on Main Gallery
City of Owensville
Gasconade County Fair Foundation
Mid-Missouri Outdoor Dream

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First Christian Church of Gainesville
Gainesville Industrial and Community Development Authority
Gainesville R-V School District
Gainesville R-V School Foundation
Ozark County Historium Inc.

Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation
Animal Welfare Alliance of Southeast Missouri
Boys and Girls Club of Poplar Bluff Inc.
Butler County Community Resource Council
Butler County Council on Aging
Butler County Historical Society
Cape Arrowhead Inc.
Friends of the Poplar Bluff Public Library
Greenville R-II School Foundation
Haven House Inc.
Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission
Poplar Bluff Kiwanis Club Inc.
Poplar Bluff Public School Foundation
Ripley County Caring Community Partnership
United Cancer Assistance Network
Whole Kids Outreach

Perry County Community Foundation
City of Perryville
Hope Therapeutic Horsemanship Center Inc.
Ladies of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul Parish

Missouri National Veterans Memorial Perry County Military History Museum Fund

Republic Community Foundation
People Helping People
Pharm Help
Republic Community Action Team

Community Foundation of Rogersville
Dogwood Ranch
Logan-Rogersville Educational Foundation
Webster County Library

Sarcoxie Community Foundation
First Presbyterian Church of Sarcoxie
Sarcoxie R-11 School District

Greater Seymour Area Foundation
Fordland Clinic Inc.
Sequoyah Area Arts Council
Sequoyah Community Development Seymour R-II School District
Sequoyah United Methodist Church
Webster County Extension Council

Ste. Genevieve County Community Foundation
City of Ste. Genevieve Parks and Recreation Community Center Foundation of Ste Genevieve County Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve Ste. Genevieve County Library
Funds Established at the CFO

The following are charitable funds established during FY22 with the CFO and its 53 regional affiliate foundations by individuals, families and organizations across central and southern Missouri. A full list of funds established at the CFO is available at cfozarks.org/fundslist.

AGENCY PARTNERS

Capacity Funds

Non-ended funds allow the agency flexibility in distributions. Completely liquid and can be withdrawn by the organization at any time. Often used for capital campaigns or reserves, or to take advantage of improved interest earning over a standard checking account.

Endowments

Permanent funds managed by the CFO. Provides permanent long-term funding for an organization. Endowments are invested and intended to help sustain an organization for years. The historic contributions to the fund are never spent and remains endowed.
Funds Established at the CFO, continued

Charitable Annuity

Provides a means for donors to make charitable gifts and receive incomes for themselves or heirs.

Designated

These funds provide a steady source of income for particular agency/church/program; they may have more than one grantee beneficiary if the donor chooses. The CFO’s oversight ensures grants go to proper location. Short-term, more project-based funds also are available.

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Ash Grove Community Garden Fund: This fund will support the community garden project in Ash Grove. Component of the Ash Grove Area Community Foundation.

Robert Bohl Champion for Students Fund: Robert Bohl established this endowment to support the graduating class of Gasconade County R-I School District. Component of the Community Foundation of the Hermann Area.

John C. Bounous Designated Fund: This endowment, split from a previously established fund, was created to support St. John’s Lutheran Church at Stone’s Prairie and the Waldensian Presbyterian Church of Monett.

Bob & Donna Butler Fund for Diabetes: The family of Bob and Donna Butler — Terry Howard, Daniel Butler and Scottie Butler — established this endowment to help children participate in activities at Camp Hickory Hill who may not otherwise be able.

Celebrate Springfield Fund: The Celebrate Springfield Committee established this fund to share what the city has to offer that may be difficult to experience due to personal obstacles or barriers.

David & Alice Cupps Barry County Public Schools Science & Math Education Foundation Fund: Established to support the needs of middle-school science and math classes in Barry County. Component of the Cassville Community Foundation.

Elevate Branson Fund: Nadia Cavner established this endowment to support the work of Elevate Branson. Component of the Community Foundation of Taney County.

Dorothy Feaster Warsaw R-9 Charitable Fund: Benton County Community Foundation established this endowment to support the Warsaw R-9 School District Christmas for Kids program and the Dorothy Feather Memorial Scholarship. Component of the BCCF.

First Presbyterian Church Archery Fund: Established this endowment to support the Sarcoxie High School’s archery program. Component of the Sarcoxie Community Foundation.

Friends of the Benton County Sheriff’s Office Fund: James R. Bottoms established this endowment to support the Benton County Sheriff’s Office. Component of Benton County Community Foundation.

Gainesville Hometown Makeover Fund: Mike and Judy Breeding and the Gainesville Hometown Makeover Committee established this fund to update, repair and clean up real estate blight in Gainesville. Component of the Ozark County Community Foundation.

GRO Hermann Fund: The Community Foundation of the Hermann Area established this fund to support programs and projects of the GRO Hermann initiative. Component of the CF of HA.

Greg Huse Endowment Fund: Scott Regional Technology and Monett R-I School District established this endowment to fund the needs of teachers and students through grants for the district. Component of the Monett Area Community Foundation.

Jadwin Cemetery Association Fund: Established to support the public beautification and historic preservation of the Jadwin Cemetery. Component of the Dent County Community Foundation.

John H. and Ruby M. Laurie Designated Fund: This endowment, split from a previously established fund, was created to support Lake Regional Health Systems and Harper Chapel United Methodist Church. Component of the Community Foundation of the Lake.

Litton Foundation Fund: Wes and Chelsea Litton established this endowment to support Operation Underground Railroad and KW Cares.

Multipurpose Court Fund: The Nevada/Vernon County Community Foundation established this fund to support the construction of an outdoor recreational facility in Nevada. Component of the NVCCF.

Peggy Ralston Fund: Established as part of her estate plan to benefit Episcopal Diocese of Western Missouri and Grace Episcopal Church in Carthage. Component of the Carthage Community Foundation.

Lew and Carol Rauch Fire Protection District Fund: Established to support the Billings Fire Protection District.

Lew and Carol Rauch Library Fund: Established to support the Billings City Library.

Bobbi Ream Fund: Established to support her charitable giving to Ozarks Public Television, KSMU Public Broadcasting, Community Partnership of the Ozarks and OTC Foundation.

ReStore SGF Fund: The Community Foundation of the Ozarks established this fund to hold grant dollars allocated for ReStore SGF.

Elizabeth Sanazaro Endowment Fund: Carolyn and Dan Sanazaro established this endowment to support programs associated with Betty’s House and foster care in Crawford County. Component of the Crawford County Foundation Inc.

Clinton and Nancy Schilling Fund for Immanuel Lutheran Church: The estate of Clinton and Nancy Schilling established an endowment to support Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lockwood. Component of the Lockwood Community Foundation.

Sikeston Bulldog Football Family Fund: Established to support programs and projects of the Sikeston R-VI Schools District, including meals for the Sikeston football team. Component of the Cape Area Community Foundation.

Southwest Missouri Drug Poisoning Task Force Fund: Established to address behavioral health and substance-use challenges through a summit and a new “Recovery Oriented System of Care” for agencies and individuals.

Beverly O’Neal Swearingin Memorial Foundation Fund: Wilbur Swearingin established this endowment to support Mount Vernon Area Emergency Services for Children. Component of the Mount Vernon Area Community Foundation.

Taney County ADAPT Fund: The Taney County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Team established this fund to promote the reduction of substance abuse in youth through awareness, education and programs that benefit the entire community. Component of the Community Foundation of Taney County.

Dave and Jeanne Toombs Family Foundation Fund: Jeanne Toombs established this endowment to benefit Ozarks Food Harvest and other agencies assisting with food insecurity for working families and children.

Troop G Memorial Fund: Retired post commanders of the Missouri State Highway Patrol’s Troop G, along with board members of the Missouri Association of State Troopers Emergency Relief Society, established this fund to support a memorial for fallen officers of Troop G, which serves south-central Missouri. Component of the Willow Springs Community Foundation.

Tuscumbia Alumni Scholarship Fund: Established by Kenneth Hawken in honor of his parents, Clyde and Lucy Hawken, and to benefit graduating seniors of Tuscumbia High School in partnership with Tuscumbia Alumni Association. Component of the Eldon Community Foundation.

Village Dog Park Fund: Keren Shefer Woolf and Gary Leabman established this fund to support the creation of a dog park in Hermann. Component of the Community Foundation of the Hermann Area.

Louise Wade Fund for Historic Preservation: Ste. Genevieve County Community Foundation established this fund with gifts from Ms. Wade to support the Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve. Component of the SGCCF.


DONOR-ADVISED

Endowments

One charitable deduction for the year or many years. CFO staff handles distribution of grants and serves as liaison between donors and grantees. May name successor advisors or convert fund to another type upon death. A good alternative to a private foundation.

David and Sharon Crismon Charitable Fund: Established to support their charitable giving. Component of the Community Foundation of Taney County.

Dennis Family Charitable Fund: Audie Lee Dennis and Melodie Ann Dennis established this fund to support their charitable giving.

Donor-Advised Fund: Established to support maintenance and improvements at the Bull Mills property.

Ruth I. Kolpin Family Donor-Advised Fund: The Ruth I. Kolpin Foundation established this fund to support its charitable endeavors. Component of the Carthage Community Foundation.

Dot and Whitey Mettlach Foundation Fund: Lance and Emily Mettlach established fund to support charitable giving in the Monett area. Component of the Monett Area Community Foundation.

RMJ Foundation: Steve and Judy Freeman established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation.

Bob and Mary Lee Simmons Legacy Fund: Established to support their charitable giving. Component of the Community Foundation of Taney County.

Scheer Family Legacy Fund: Wayne and Joellen Scheer established this fund to support their charitable giving.

Corporate Grantmaking

A donor-advised option tailored for businesses that wish to streamline their charitable giving.

Johnson, Vorhees & Mar-tucci Charitable Fund: Established to support the firm’s charitable giving. Component of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Lamar Bank and Trust Company Community Support Fund: Established to support community projects and needs. Component of the Barton County Community Foundation.

Legacy Bank Foundation: Legacy Bank and Trust established this fund to support charitable causes.

Ozarks Coca Cola Community Impact Fund: Ozarks Coca Cola/Dr. Pepper Bottling Co. established this fund to support nonprofits in Springfield, Joplin, Northwest Arkansas, West Plains and Rolla.

Redneck Outdoor Products Community Support Fund: Redneck Outdoor Products established this fund to support community needs and projects. Component of the Barton County Community Foundation. 
Funds Established at the CFO, continued

Non-endowed Funds

Recommended for donors that need maximum flexibility. Requires a minimum balance of $2,500 before grants can be distributed. May be spent down to a zero balance through grantmaking.

Acts 30 Network Fund: An anonymous donor established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Finley River Community Foundation.
Barber Family Foundation: Paul F. Barber and Frederick M. Barber established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Fair Grove Area Community Foundation.
Jan M. and Gary Baumgartner Charitable Fund: Gary and Jan Baumgartner established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Carthage Community Foundation.

Yvonne L. Bussmann Donor Advised Family Fund: Established to support her charitable giving.
Caroline Carr Foundation: Mike and Anita Carr established this fund to support nursing scholarships. Component of the Cassville Community Foundation.
Mike and Brenda Dempsey Charitable Fund: Established to support their charitable giving. Component of Crawford County Foundation Inc.

Eckels Charitable Trust: Thomas Paul Eckels and Dianne Eileen Eckels established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Carthage Community Foundation.

Steve and Jennifer Edwards Charitable Fund: Established to support their charitable giving.
Fagerness Fund: Dave Fagerness established this fund to support service organizations and other needs in the Hermann area. Component of the Community Foundation of the Hermann Area.
Hansen Gift Fund: Mark and Dorothy Hansen established this fund to support their charitable giving.
Hartman Family Fund: Joshua and Donna Jo Hartman established this fund to support their charitable giving.
Peter and Jan Herschend Donor Advised Fund: Established to support their charitable giving.
Greg Hoffman Family Foundation Fund: Established to support their charitable giving. Component of the Nevada/Vernon County Community Foundation.

Holden Family Foundation in memory of David Andrew “Drew” Holden and Dwayne A. Holden: Nikki Holden and Joe Lutosmke established this fund to support charitable causes in memory of Drew Holden and Dwayne Holden.
Jungmann Family Fund: John and Kerry Jungmann established this fund to support their charitable giving.

Bryan and Stacey Penney Charitable Fund: Established to support their charitable giving. Component of the Republic Community Foundation.
Alex T. Powderly Memorial Fund: Tim and Lori Powderly established this fund to support nonprofit organizations in memory of Alex. Component of the Cape Area Community Foundation.

Wagner Family Fund: Kael and Tonna Powers established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Neosho Area Community Foundation.
Wolfe Family Charitable Fund: Michael H. and Henry “Bud” Morgan established this fund to support charitable giving. Component of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Thurman Family Fund: Joe Lyon and Mariann Leonard and Louise Leonard established this fund to support non-profit organizations in the community. Component of the Republic Community Foundation.

Van Landuyt Family Fund: Randall Van Landuyt and Dr. Cathryn Van Landuyt established this fund to support their charitable giving.

Wanamaker Family Fund: John and Lori Wanamaker established this fund to support their charitable giving.
Wert Family Charitable Fund: Clifford E. Wert and Pamela A. Wert established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Wescott Family Fund: Amy Haydon Wescott and Aaron Craig Wescott established this fund to support their charitable giving. Component of the Community Foundation of Taney County.

Carolyn and Skip Wolfe Family Fund: Carolyn J. Wolfe established this fund to support her charitable giving. Component of the Neosho Area Community Foundation.

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Field-of-Interest

Gives CFO flexibility to address future needs while still remaining in the donors’ area of interest; i.e. all grants must address educational needs, senior services or the environment.

Carl Junction High School LAUNCH Fund: Carl Junction High School established this fund to support philanthropic efforts of its students. Component of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Crow Valley Fund for Children: Patty Nitzschke established this fund to support organizations in Douglas County that assist children in need. Component of the Douglas County Community Foundation.

DACO Hunger Fund: The DACO Community Foundation established this fund to support efforts to alleviate hunger in Dade County. Component of DACO CF.

Caitlin Golike Charitable Fund: Established for estate-planning purposes. The fund will support arts programming, initiatives and arts education in the CFO’s service region.

Joplin High School LAUNCH Fund: Joplin High School established this fund to support philanthropic efforts of its students. Component of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Karen Overmiller Fund: Walter White established this endowment to support organizations serving women and children in need with an emphasis on organizations providing services related to hunger, poverty and health care. Component of the Community Foundation of the Lake.

Legacy Cares Project Fund: Legacy Bank and Trust established this fund to support unmet emergency needs of its employees.

Let's Get to Work Fund: Established by the CFO to support grantmaking that reduces transportation-related barriers to employment.

Mindful Matters Fund: Mindful Matters established this fund to support mental health needs and services for families within the Gasconade Country R-I School District. Component of the Community Foundation of the Hermann Area.

Clinton and Nancy Schilling Community Fund: The estate of Clinton and Nancy Schilling established this endowment to support vocational and technical education in Jasper, Barton and Dade counties. Component of the Lockwood Community Foundation.

Webb City High School LAUNCH Fund: Webb City High School established this fund to support philanthropic efforts of its students. Component of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Giving Circles

Allows groups of like-minded individuals to come together to support charitable organizations. CFO staff handles grant distribution. Requires $2,500 to make grants.

Answering the Call Fund: Scott Vorhees and Tom Franz established this fund to support charitable organizations that provide services to children of public safety officers in the Jasper and Newton County areas. Component of the Joplin Regional Community Foundation.

Chapter BG/MO of P.E.O. Fund: The Chapter BG/MO of P.E.O. established this fund to support the charitable projects of P.E.O.

Gettin’ Sauced Fund: Stephanie Richardet, Katie Cissell, Lisa Carroll and Tim Landholt established this fund to support veterans by granting to agencies that provide related services. Component of the Perry County Community Foundation.

HADH Auxiliary Fund: Marcia Anne Althauser and Karin Wolking established this fund to support the Hermann Area District Hospital Auxiliary and the health needs of the Hermann Area. Component of the Community Foundation of the Hermann Area.


LAUNCH Fund: American Legion Post 147 established this fund to support charitable organizations with an emphasis on those serving veterans. Component of the Community Foundation of the Hermann Area.

Joseph B. Koenig Post 147 Fund: The Nevada Rotary Chapter established this fund to support charitable organizations in the Nevada/Vernon County area. Component of the NVCCF.

Nevada Loves Club Fund: The Nevada Rotary Chapter established this fund to support charitable community projects. Component of the Nevada/Vernon County Community Foundation.

Scholarships

These funds assist students with higher-education costs. CFO staff handles all the paperwork and administrative functions in accordance with the IRS. Donors help shape criteria. The minimum to establish a scholarship fund is $25,000.

John Allen Memorial Scholarship Fund: Dwight Amstutz and Carla Allen established this fund in memory of John Allen and to provide educational support for a graduating senior for Strafford High School.

Frank and Mary Lou Brooks Memorial Scholarship Fund: The Windsor High School Master Scholarship Endowment Fund established this scholarship fund to support graduating seniors of Windsor High School. Component of the Truman Lake Community Foundation.

Garrett Braun Memorial Scholarship Fund: The Braun
family established this endowment to provide scholarship support to Owensville High School students. Component of the Owensville Area Community Foundation.

James M. and Charlene A. Eddleman Education Scholarship Fund: Established to provide educational support for students from high schools in Perryville. Component of the Perry County Community Foundation.

Dorothy Feaster Memorial Scholarship Fund: The Benton County Community Foundation established this endowment to support scholarships for graduating seniors of Warsaw High School that pursue degrees in agriculture or education. Component of the BCCF.

Dorothy Feaster Memorial WHS Scholarship Fund: The Weaubleau School District established this endowment to support scholarships for graduating seniors of Weaubleau High School. Component of the Hickory County Community Foundation.

Dorothy Feaster Technical School Scholarship Fund: The Weaubleau School District established this endowment to support scholarships for graduating seniors of Weaubleau High School who apply to an accredited vocational or technical school. Component of the Hickory County Community Foundation.

Fannie Mitchell Hall Scholarship Fund: This fund was established by the trust and estate of Clyde W. Hall and Fannie Mitchell Hall to provide scholarships for graduates of Rolla High School.

Hanks Family Scholarship Fund: Dennis and Patsy Hanks established this fund to provide scholarships for Ozark High School seniors. Component of the Finley River Community Foundation.

Jones/Goddard Scholarship Fund for Public Health: Larry Jones and Clay Goddard established this fund to provide scholarship support for master’s level public health students.

Mark Koca Memorial Scholarship Fund: Jennifer Koca established this fund to provide financial assistance to an El Dorado Springs R-2 School District teacher who is advancing their education.

Component of the El Dorado Springs Community Foundation.

Esther Sands McGuire Scholarship Fund: The CFO established this endowment to better manage the charitable activities of the Esther Sands McGuire Fund, which also provides grant funds to a designated beneficiary.

National Art Shop/Sand- ers Scholarship Fund: Jerry and Jean Sanders established this fund to provide financial assistance to a current college student attending Missouri State University or OTC and majoring in art.

Dr. Aubrey O. Pittenger STEM Scholarship Fund: Dennis and Suzanne Newkirk established this fund in memory of Dr. Aubrey O. Pittenger, a respected Branson High School science teacher, and to support a graduating senior at Branson High School who plans to pursue an engineering degree. Component of the Community Foundation of Taney County.

Polk County Engineering/ Geological Scholarship Fund: Neal and Laura DeShazo established this fund to support high school graduates from Polk County pursuing an engineering degree. Component of the Bolivar Area Community Foundation.

Polk County Tech Scholarship Fund: Neal and Laura DeShazo established this fund to support high school graduates from Polk County attending a technical school. Component of the Bolivar Area Community Foundation.

PTSC Scholarship Fund in Memory of Arasmith, Douglass, Simer, Spence: Mary Sheid Schrag and Physical Therapy Specialist Clinic established this scholarship fund by combining several previously established funds. Component of the Community Foundation of West Plains Inc.

PTSC Scholarship Fund in Memory of Gilliam, Hathcock, Holloway, McGoldrick: Mary Sheid Schrag and Physical Therapy Specialist Clinic established this scholarship fund by combining several previously established funds. Component of the Community Foundation of West Plains Inc.

Frank Robinson Scholarship Fund: Frank and Joan “Joanie” Robinson established this fund to provide scholarship support. Component of the Perry County Community Foundation.

Unrestricted

These are the most flexible funds to address future needs. They are generally used for competitive grant processes with applications that are reviewed by volunteer committees.

The Begemann-Sanders Family Fund: The Begemann and Sanders families established this endowment to benefit grantmaking for the Community Foundation of the Hermann Area to support Hermann and its people, infrastructure and history. Component of the CF of HA.

Bill and Janet Lee Unre- stricted Fund: Established this endowment to support grantmaking for the Community Foundation of Taney County.

Phil LAUNCH Fund: The Jop- lin Regional Community Founda- tion and the Philanthropic Society established this fund to support grantmaking for nonprofit organizations in the Joplin area. Component of the JRCF.
The Woman in the Arena

Andrea Bishop’s efforts improve access to mental-health services

Channeling Theodore Roosevelt, the nation’s 26th president, attorney Richard Schnake credits 2022 Humanitarian Award recipient Andrea Bishop as someone “who is actually in the arena”; doing her work with the great enthusiasm, great devotion and high achievement Roosevelt lauded.

The speech he referenced—Roosevelt’s “Citizenship in a Republic”—championed those who refuse to buckle to cynicism and instead work to make the world a better place. The theme resonates, 112 years later, as an analogy for Bishop’s tireless efforts to improve mental health services as executive director of the Betty & Bobby Allison Ozarks Counseling Center.

He said he nominated Bishop for the honor as a person, not an employee. That’s because she has gone above and beyond to extend the sliding-scale counseling services since becoming executive director in 2011. He noted that she accepts a lower salary than the position would typically warrant and supplements her job with her own counseling practice on the side. He also noted the extension of services under her leadership such as expanding hours for more evening appointments and supporting children experiencing abuse and whose parents are going through divorce proceedings.

“The need for these services has increased exponentially in the 36 years I’ve been on the board,” he said.

Bishop is the 37th Humanitarian recipient since the late Jewell Thompson Schweitzer created the award in 1989 to honor individuals who excel at serving others in a humanitarian capacity. A committee convened by the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce selects the annual recipient.

After accepting the award from Mrs. Schweitzer’s goddaughter and current CFO Board Chair Laurie Edmondson, Bishop described the experience as winning “a $2 billion love lottery” in hearing from friends, family and colleagues; and she selected Ozark Counseling Center for the actual $5,000 that comes with the award.

“It makes me think that I need to be really careful about practicing what I preach, living in the moment, savoring the moment and pouring it right back onto people,” Bishop said. “Because why should we have to wait until they get a gold star pinned on their lapel before you tell them how great you think they are? That’s my renewed mission in life.”

—by Louise Knauer
In Memoriam

We honor those who served in leadership roles for the CFO or in their communities, along with members of the Legacy Society, with appreciation for their shared commitment to place-based philanthropy.

Bobby Allison  
**March 11, 1948–Sept. 8, 2022**
His name was ubiquitous around Springfield where his generosity for nonprofit organizations, parks and sports facilities earned naming rights that always honored first his mother, Betty, before his own. But much of his philanthropy was conducted in a lower key without the fanfare of a lighted sign. He was actually a very private person who included a donor-advised fund at the CFO as one of his charitable tools for the many donations he made. For every person who uses one of his namesake facilities, there are countless more who may never know they’re benefitting from Allison’s largesse.

Nancy Aton  
**Aug. 11, 1924–April 11, 2022**
Gracious in all ways and generous with her volunteer service and charitable giving, Nancy Aton set an example as the matriarch of a Springfield family with deep roots in the CFO’s history. She established a donor-advised fund honoring her late husband, Ray, that paired her philanthropic intentions with her gift of service to a range of cultural and civic organizations. Her daughter and son-in-law, Sally and Rob Baird, have served in multiple leadership roles for the CFO, while daughter Julie Leeth helped found the CFO’s extensive work for rural education during her second career at the foundation.

Harry M. Cornell Jr.  
**Oct. 5, 1928–May 8, 2022**
This fall’s opening of the Harry M. Cornell Arts & Entertainment Complex (see page 46) keeps Cornell’s legacy living strong with Joplin’s new home for cultural groups and visual and performing arts. And that’s just the latest accomplishment made possible by the generosity of the founder of Carthage-based Leggett & Platt manufacturing company. The CFO has been intertwined with Cornell’s philanthropy in multiple ways, from serving as a conduit for the Cornell Center’s capital campaign to establishing a benevolence fund to support L&P employees after the 2011 Joplin tornado.

Pat Davis  
**March 31, 1948–Aug. 25, 2022**
Her charitable giving matched her work in supporting kids and families in need of food, medical and dental services, particularly in her home area of Taney County. Her grants weren’t huge, but they were designated annually for the agencies she chose to support. And though she died in August, those gifts will continue year upon year because she left the estate she’d built with her late husband, Ransom, for their designated endowment fund to benefit agencies serving the Taney County area.

John Dickey  
**Dec. 23, 1927–June 1, 2022**
After serving in the U.S. Army, studies as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University and a 40-year career that took him to New York and London working for the prestigious “white shoe” law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell, John Dickey found his way back to Marshfield. There, he volunteered his time and expertise to the Marshfield Area Community Foundation. He also gave generously through his donor-advised family foundation fund that largely supports his commitment to education, and guided development of several other funds established to honor his family’s legacy.

Mike Galer  
The Lemons and Galer families are synonymous with the small Dade County city of Lockwood and the building of the Lockwood Community Foundation. Mike Galer served on the board, along with his wife, Renee, whose parents, Fred and LaRue, founded the CFO affiliate. After moving several times as part of a U.S. Air Force family and his own Air Force service, he and Renee settled in Lockwood where they built a successful business, Prairie Mountain Screening, and Mike gave back to his adopted hometown as a volunteer for the Chamber of Commerce and the Fire Department.
Ron Giedd  
**April 25, 1936–April 29, 2022**

One of the unlikeliest of Ozarkers, the Connecticut physics professor and his wife, Joanne, decided to retire to Seymour after visits to his brother down the highway in Mansfield. Once here, they went all in for their new hometown, volunteering for the annual Apple Festival, the Lions Club and the Greater Seymour Area Foundation. In those early days of the CFO’s affiliate network, Ron was an ambassador who traveled with CFO staff to other communities to tout the benefits of affiliation. He also served as a trusted advisor as the CFO developed its Rural Schools Partnership to link place-based philanthropy between schools and their communities.

LaRue Lemons  
**Nov. 6, 1927–May 6, 2022**

As petite as her late husband, Fred, was tall, LaRue was nonetheless just as much of a force to reckon with when it came to advancing their beloved hometown of Lockwood. Fred was Lockwood’s banker, while LaRue was Mayor. She was a mother, teacher, musician, businesswoman, Sunday School teacher and active in local politics. Together, she and Fred recognized one more way to better their hometown – by founding one of the CFO’s earliest affiliates, the Lockwood Community Foundation, in 1998, where they served as leaders for the rest of their lives.

Janice Lorrain  
**Died Oct. 24, 2022**

Janice practiced community building in both her professional and personal lives. She worked as the Director of Development for the City of Ava for many years and also served as president of the Douglas County Community Foundation, or another officer’s role, for most of its existence. A member of the Legacy Society for Douglas County, she also was honored in 2016 with a Board Member of Excellence Award.

Steve Romines  
**Dec. 31, 1941–Jan. 23, 2022**

Born into a family rooted in Mountain Grove, Steve left for a number of years after college and law school, working in Washington D.C., as legal counsel in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Federal Aviation Administration. When he returned, he integrated right back into his hometown, opening a legal practice and joining his father as a banker. His philanthropy was quiet and often anonymous. A member of the Legacy Society, his commitment continues without fanfare, but with impact on his areas of interest.
Mamma Mia! Here we go again …

The CFO is ushering in its next 50 years with a burst of bloom and color in spring 2023, thanks to 50,000 “Mamma Mia” variety daffodil bulbs planted this fall.

Across Springfield and some 40 affiliate communities, the bulbs will bloom in publicly visible spaces, supported by volunteer leaders, gardeners, parks staffers and youth groups who dug all those holes and trenches for the mass plantings. (Go to cfozarks.org/daffodils to see the progress.)

Daffodils were selected because they will multiply and rebloom for years to come, a fitting analogy for the power of place-based philanthropy cultivated by endowments that grow over time even as they provide steady support for grantmaking and distributions.

With credit to our colleagues at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, the CFO modeled this program on the OCCF’s “Rebloom Oklahoma” initiative, which has distributed some 170,000 daffodil bulbs and hundreds of trees in its mission to beautify the city and refresh its tree canopy after multiple severe storms took their toll over the past decade.

In the coming months, we’ll be reflecting much more on how the 50 years past will shape our next half century.

My, my … we can’t wait to see what blooms.

—by Louise Knauer
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with the CFO

We look forward to communicating with you throughout the year—here’s how you can access information about the CFO.

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