

2024 Grant Awards

Community Events, Arts, and Culture

Celebrating Parsons, Inc.	\$3,000.00	Kids Crossing activities at Katy Days
City of Altamont	\$5,000.00	Veterans memorial
City of Parsons	\$4,670.00	Swimming pool water soaker
City of Parsons	\$5,000.00	Kiwanis "Pancake Special" train depot
Historic Oakwood Cemetery	\$10,000.00	Restore & preserve G.A.R. Circle 2
Labette Community Band & Orchestra	\$400.00	Mileage for out of town musicians
Labette County Fair	\$5,000.00	Livestock show barn fans
Osage Mission Historical Society	\$1,000.00	Conference and education center
Osage Township Fire Department	\$5,000.00	Dennis community park project
Parsons Historical Museum	\$5,000.00	Rail yard restoration
SEK Juneteenth	\$2,500.00	SEK Juneteenth 2024 celebration
SEK Point of Pride	\$5,000.00	Christmas lights and decorations
VFW Auxiliary for Brown Bishop Post 704	\$4,325.00	Remodel of Post's restrooms

Health and Human Services

Altamont/Mt. Pleasant Fire Department	\$3,200.00	Extrication equipment
Care Cupboard Hygiene Pantry	\$5,000.00	Hygiene products for those in need
Chetopa Police Department	\$5,000.00	Taser purchase
Crosstimbers Food Pantry	\$3,000.00	Food for lower ½ of Labette County
Erie Community Foundation	\$1,000.00	2024 Erie Christmas baskets
Faith United Methodist Church	\$1,000.00	Faith Celebrate Recovery
Space Community Garden	\$600.00	Electrical to greenhouse
Kansas Food Bank	\$5,000.00	Food 4 Kids
Labette County Emergency Assistance	\$20,000.00	Emergency assistance for various needs
Labette Fire District #9	\$2,500.00	Power hand tools
Labette Health Foundation	\$3,800.00	CPAP therapy project
Parsons Foursquare Church	\$2,500.00	Food ministry for citizens in need
Parsons Police Department	\$10,000.00	Are you OK?
Proud Animal Lovers Shelter (PALS)	\$5,000.00	Medical expenses for area dogs and cats
Wesley United Methodist Church	\$2,500.00	Grab-n-go food ministry

Youth and Education

Bartlett Grade School	\$2,000.00	Junior high uniforms
Eden Early Learning Academy	\$10,000.00	CRISP initiative
Labette Community College Foundation	\$1,000.00	Cardinal Kindness
Labette Community College Foundation	\$20,000.00	Pathways to the Future capital campaign
Labette County Trap Shooting Team	\$5,000.00	Trap shooting multipurpose building
McCune Osage Township Library	\$1,128.00	Increased computer & internet access
Meadow View Grade School	\$2,000.00	Wall padding in gym
Oak Grove School Historical Society	\$2,500.00	Water meter & water line for bathrooms
Parsons High School – TSA	\$5,000.00	National competition and conference
Parsons Middle School	\$10,000.00	Community communication
Parsons Presbyterian Manor	\$1,500.00	Generation Buddies
SparkWheel	\$2,500.00	Integrated supports for Parsons students
Vikings Dance and Color Guard	\$4,500.00	Dance, color guard, and drum corp

Designated Gifts

Labette County Emergency Assistance Center	\$7,500.00	Paul & Berniece LaForge Fund Annual Designated Gift
St. Patrick's Catholic Church	\$7,500.00	Paul & Berniece LaForge Fund Annual Designated Gift
St. Patrick's Catholic School	\$37,200.00	Taylor Family Fund Annual Designated Gift
Stella Wells Christmas Baskets	\$1,000.00	Bonnie Oden Fund Annual Designated Gift
Leadership Labette	\$18,000.00	KS Health Foundation – Leadership and Children's Funds Annual Designated Gifts



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