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Smoky Valley Community Foundation announces 2010 grants

Three of eight grants awarded by the Smoky Valley Community Foundation will support children's programs in the area. The foundation awarded more than \$4,000 in Community Enhancement Grants to eight nonprofit organizations, institutions and groups in the Smoky Valley area, as announced by the group's Grant Committee. The following recipients have been notified of their grant award, and checks will be delivered soon by members of the SVCF board.

- Bethany Lutheran Church and Messiah Lutheran Church will use their grant for the KICK (Kids in Christ's Kingdom) program, which provides after-school activities and tutoring for schoolchildren through sixth grade on Wednesday afternoons.

- Lindsborg Children's Center's grant will help toward the purchase of a new scooter and tricycles.

- St. Bridget's Little Kingdom's grant will help toward the purchase of preschool classroom tables and chairs for the new preschool.

Other organizations and groups receiving grants:

- Lindsborg Community Hospital will receive funds toward the purchase of a CoaguChek XS system, new technology to perform blood tests.

- Raymer Society/Red Barn Studio Museum, Lindsborg was awarded funds to replace the roof on the Reserve Collection Facility.

- Smoky Valley Historical Association will receive funds to help improve and re-pave the road to Coronado Heights.

- Lindsborg Chamber of Commerce will use its grant to design a new logo and to print stationery with the new logo.

- The Lindsborg Arts Council has received a grant to clean up the grounds of the Anton Pearson Studio, in preparation for restoring the garden and pond.

SVCF is a nonprofit entity affiliated with the Greater Salina Community Foundation, and its board members are all local and area volunteers. Requests for grants were considered from several applicants in the Smoky Valley, which is defined as northern McPherson county and southern Saline County. The SVCF is a collection of funds created by the generosity of individuals who have contributed money to the foundation for charitable uses. Tax-deductible contributions of any size are accepted from donors. From these endowed funds, the foundation board annually designates the amount of available funding for community grants. Only charitable projects are chosen to fulfill the Smoky Valley Community Foundation's mission to improve the quality of life in these communities.

For more information on donating to the Foundation, please call the Greater Salina Community Foundation office at (785) 823-1800 or check online at www.smokyvalleycf.org.