

Smoky Valley Community Foundation Grant application deadline nears

The Smoky Valley Community Foundation grant application deadline is **September 30, 2008**. Applications are available at the Lindsborg City office, online at www.smokyvalleycf.org or from any Foundation board member after September 1.

The Foundation offers the grant program as part of the Foundation's efforts to fulfill its primary mission—to improve the quality of life in the local community.

The Foundation will consider applications from non-profit organizations, individuals and groups of individuals. Grants are available for projects that fall within the greater Lindsborg area, defined as northern McPherson County and southern Saline County, and for charitable organizations outside the area that are founding donors in the Foundation. Founding donors of the SVCF are: the City of Lindsborg, Bethany College, Bethany Home, the Raymer Society, Lee and Susie Ruggels, Maleta Forsberg, the firm of Clark, Mize, and Linville, the Sandzén Gallery, Ron and Marsha Rolander, Robert and Karen Carlson, Lindsborg Community Hospital, and

Judy Neuschafer Agency, Inc.

For-profit organizations will not be considered for grants and applications will not be accepted outside of the grant cycle.

This will be the fifth year the Foundation has awarded grants. The 2007 grant recipients were the Smoky Valley Historical Association, McPherson Headstart, Lindsborg Children's Center, McPherson County Kansas Infant Development Services, Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers, Lindsborg Youth Choir, Raymer Society for the Arts, International Chess Institute of the Midwest, Lindsborg Community Hospital, Smoky Valley High School Music Department, Bethany College Music Department, and Lindsborg Wavemakers Swim Team.

For more information, contact any of the following Foundation board members: Dorene Anderson, Ron Dahlsten, Maleta Forsberg, Barry McMillan, John Palmquist, A. John Pearson, Bill Roth, Susie Ruggels, Dale Sader, Ken Sjogren, Rebecca VanDerWege, Susan Whitfield Lungren, or Leon Burch, Executive Director.

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