# Grant County Women of Purpose

A Fund in Grant County Community Foundation



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#### Our 2012 Grant

Our first grant was to the Grant County Health Coalition for a series of workshops around the 2012 focus of *Women entering or returning to the Work Place.* That project is currently being accomplished!

Thirteen women and 2 men in the ESL class (English as a second language) are currently engaged in 5 sessions that began on February 14<sup>th</sup> and concluded February 28<sup>th</sup>. The sessions were taught by **Kansas Works** complete with 3 different workbooks and 3 different experienced teachers on the following topics:

Preparing a dynamic resume
Proper work attire
Expectations of your employer
Keeping yourself and your family
healthy so you can be a dependable employee
Improving interview skills

Each participant received a nice zippered notebook for their materials, a

resume template, a thumb drive to store their resume, and healthy nutritious snacks. The interview session included a panel discussion with local business HR people as panelists and mock interviews with local business professionals.

They are excited about their opportunity and so are we!

And that is not all! The Health Coalition is also hosting a symposium that all Grant County women can attend. Check out the flyer on page 3.

Women in the Workplace
April 20, 2013
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Grant County Civic Center
No cost to participants

## Working together to change lives!

With the combined contributions of 53 Grant County women, the lives of 15 people were forever changed!

More women will be touched in a positive way through the symposium to be held on April 20th!

Thank you!



Grant Applications
For the 2013 grant
are due by:

May 1, 2013

Send applications
to:
Grant County
Community
Foundation
P. O. Box 65
Ulysses, Kansas
67880

### Our 2013 Grant

The Women of Purpose Founders met for a working lunch in February to decide on the focus for our grant in 2013. We are thrilled to announce our grant amount for this year has increased to \$2,500 to support the focus for 2013:

#### Personal Money Management

Whether you are just learning to budget, trying to manage your house-

hold on what you have, or planning for your retirement, money management affects us all!

Non-profit groups and organizations are encouraged to apply for the grant by May 1st. All grant proceeds must be used in Grant County for the benefit of Grant County women and children.

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## Congratulation! We've reached our First Goal.

When Grant County Women of Purpose began in the spring Of 2011, our vision was to establish an endowment of \$50.000 for the fund. As of February 28, 2013, our balance in the endowed fund totaled \$50,318.04! Congratulations to the 39 Founders for their generosity. Also adding to that total was \$50 of each of the \$100 annual memberships of 53 Women of Purpose. We were so fortunate to receive some very generous donations to the endowed fund for matching fund opportunities. Several women took advantage of the opportunity to become a Founder. This is a remark-

able accomplishment.

Another goal of the Women of Purpose fund is to empower women to take an active and powerful role in philanthropy to serve other women and children. It allows dedicated and engaged women to make a difference in the lives of many without a significant time commitment. In our very active and busy lives, that is an important consideration.

You can be as involved as you want to be, but nothing more than a donation is expected.

## Act Now for Matching Funds

Only 3 Matching Funds spots left for Founders in Women of Purpose

There are only 3 matching funds spots left! These matching funds have been provided through the generosity of others. With this limited opportunity, it only takes \$600 to become a Founder and Woman of Purpose. Be part of this exciting opportunity to step up for future generations of women & children in Grant County!



## What's Next? 100 Women of Purpose

Now that our endowment goal has been reached, we can move on to Phase 2 — Inviting 100 women to become Women of Purpose with a \$100 donation each year.

When we reach this goal, we will have \$5,000 for our annual grant + earnings from our endowed fund. And the endowed fund will grow by \$5,000 each year. What a wonderful legacy!

Imagine what 100 women joining hands can do for the future of Grant County women and children.

With this smaller donation, we hope to attract many more interested women to join in extending a helping hand to other women.

#### Women of Purpose Steering Committee

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Please contact us with questions.

I would like to be a n	nember of Women of Purpose.
Name:	
Address:	
E-mail:	My check for \$100 is enclosed
Mail to Grant County	Community Foundation, P. O. Box 65, Ulysses, Kansas 67880

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## **Grant County Health**

Presents a symposium



## **Women in the Work Place**

When: April 20, 2013

9:00 a.m.1:00p.m.

Where: Grant County

Civic Center

For: Grant County Women

Cost: Free to participants.

Registration: 356-1721
Grant Co. Extension

Enjoy excellent presentations by:

Melissa Guerro Garden City Community College

Erica Oglevie Pioneer Communications

Anita Wendt Pioneer Electric

**Grant County Health Coalition** 

Topics to be covered:

- Building a dynamic resume
- Dress for Success
- Expectations of your Employer
- Keeping yourself and your family healthy
- Preparing for the Interview

Funded by a grant from



## **Grant County Community Foundation News**

Grant County Community Foundation has qualified to receive the first installment of its grant from the Kansas Health Foundation by April 15, 2013. That payment of \$60,000 will bring the foundation totals to over \$500,000. We are thrilled to reach this milestone and are very grateful to the citizens of Grant County for making it possible.

The second quarter grant application deadline is fast approaching. Nonprofit groups and organizations are encouraged to submit applications by:

#### May 1, 2013

Women of Purpose is one of several funds in Grant County Community Foundation. The foundation offers a very flexible format for local citizens to meet their charitable giving goals. Funds can be established for almost any charitable purpose. The following are funds currently held in the GCCF:

#### Agency Funds

Grant County Ambulance Service **Grant County Extension Grant County Health Department** Grant County Legacy & Parkview Grant County Recreation

#### **Donor Advised Funds**

Keusler Family Fund Pioneer Communications Community Fund

#### Field of Interest Funds

Grant County Fine Arts Fund KHF for Grant County—Children's Fund Healthy Lifestyles for Grant County Fund

#### **Designated Funds**

Women of Purpose Fund Bob Wilson Memorial Grant County Hospital Fund **Grant County Chaplaincy** 

<u>Community Betterment</u> Grant County Unrestricted Grant Fund

#### Administrative Funds GCCF Operating Fund

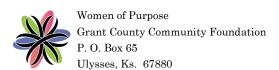
#### Non-Permanent Funds

Women of Purpose **GCCF** Operating Grant County Chaplaincy Operating

#### Other funds are always welcome.

The GCCF Board has recently retained Judy Keusler to serve as Community Coordinator. It takes time to organize and promote the many activities of an all volunteer community foundation board. Even with the professional staff off Western Kansas Community Foundation at its disposal, the GCCF board decided a part-time local coordinator would help. Please contact her with questions or sugges-Our contact information is listed below.





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