



Topeka
Community
Foundation

2021

Year in Review

From a \$10,000 grant from the Junior League in 1983 to managing \$100 million today.

Since our beginning in 1983 with \$10,000, the Foundation has had a mission to direct financial capital to make our community a great place to live, work and give.

We began 2021 with strategic planning and worked throughout the year to create goals, plans and measurements for our continued and emerging work in donor services, grant making and community convening.

Highlights of our year include:

- **Financial Strength:** With contributions of more than \$9 million and an investment return of 19.8%, the Foundation reached the milestone of having \$100 million under management. We are equally proud that we have granted \$100 million back into our community since our beginning in 1983.
- **Donor Services:** 20 new funds were established at the Foundation in 2021 – each with its own charitable purpose. We launched a new platform that will facilitate an exceptional on-line experience for all donors.
- **Community Impact:** We continued learning and leading through our social determinants of health grantmaking. This upstream look at systems, policies and environments impacting issues like education, access and community development will continue being a priority for us.

In 2022, you can expect progress updates from us on:

- **Impact Investing:** Investing locally for both a financial and social return.
- **Donor Services:** Enhancing the donor experience by hiring a Director of Philanthropy.
- **Leadership:** Leveraging our leadership to ensure Topeka continues to be a great place to live, work and give.

More information about the Foundation's 2021 achievements can be found on our website. We encourage you to visit our site for charts, videos and other information.

We wish you a happy and charitable 2022.



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