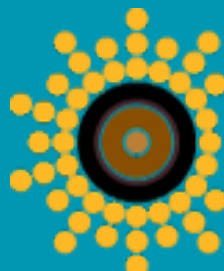


# 2025 Membership

Join or renew your membership today!

## CONNECT EMPOWER GROW



**Kansas Association  
of Community Foundations**

**20th Anniversary 2005 - 2025**



Kansas Community Foundations. **For Good. For Ever.**

Dear Kansas Community Foundation,

I'm excited to connect and share some of the incredible opportunities we have ahead in 2025 as a member of the Kansas Association of Community Foundations (KACF). Your commitment to our network continues to strengthen the fabric of communities across Kansas, and we're thrilled to have you as a key part of our mission.

This year promises to be one of growth and innovation. We are preparing to launch Endow Kansas, a powerful initiative designed to create an income tax credit for certain endowed gifts that will inspire greater local giving and secure the future of our communities. In addition, we're exploring statewide marketing strategies to shine a spotlight on the vital work community foundations do every day. These efforts aim to elevate awareness and engage even more Kansans in meaningful philanthropy.

The landscape of philanthropy is evolving, and the challenges our communities face call for strategic, unified action. Your involvement ensures we're well-positioned to lead with impact and amplify the good we do together. With your support, KACF will continue to foster collaboration, build resources, and champion the causes that matter most to our members.

To join or renew your membership, please click [here](#). KACF membership dues are based on asset size at the end of the previous year as identified in your end-of-year financial statement (this can be an internal financial statement and does not need to be a 990). Amounts in excess of \$500 may be reported to the IRS as a grant. The deadline to renew is March 1, 2025.

Additionally, I invite you to participate actively in our upcoming conference, regional meetings and many learning opportunities, where we will have the opportunity to discuss our shared goals, learn from one another, and build lasting connections.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to KACF. Together, we can create positive change and enhance the well-being of Kansas communities. As KACF celebrates its 20th Anniversary in 2025, we look forward to another year of collaboration, growth, and impact.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric M. Anderson".

KACF Board Chair, CEO, Longmont Community Foundation

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2024 KACF Annual Meeting

## KACF'S HISTORY

KACF is a network founded in 2005 by a dedicated group of volunteers representing community foundations across the state of Kansas who believe in philanthropy, peer-learning, and state-wide partnerships.

It was their hope that KACF would impact the growth, development, and organizational sustainability of Kansas community foundations as trusted community catalysts that offer in-depth knowledge of local issues and funding resources to help preserve the health and well-being of Kansas and its residents.

**Our mission: To leverage the resources of community foundations in the state of Kansas so as to strengthen and promote community philanthropy and inspire action that will improve the quality of life in Kansas communities.**

## 20@25

**The year 2025 marks the 20th anniversary of KACF—a milestone that highlights two decades of empowering community foundations across Kansas. 20@25 symbolizes our enduring commitment to community, a celebration of our shared achievements, and an invitation to shape the future together.**



# Key Member Benefits



## Networking

Opportunities to expand your professional network, fostering valuable connections and collaborations with your community foundation colleagues in Kansas and beyond, including our Peer-to-Peer Program.



## Professional Development

Access to exclusive resources, workshops, and events that enhance your skills, knowledge, and build your foundation's capacity, including the new 20@25 Learning Collaborative.



## Visibility

Market community foundations as go-to experts on philanthropy, build relationships with organizations focusing on rural development, and to encourage new partnerships and opportunities.



## Advocacy

Promote a unified voice in advocating for field-related issues, policy decisions, and promoting the collective interests of members.



## Resource Library

Membership grants access to a wide variety of community foundation resources, keeping you informed with the latest research and tools essential for staying ahead.



## Meetings and Conferences

Attend the annual conference and regional meetings, plus monthly Zoom calls, facilitating knowledge exchange, idea sharing, and exposure to the latest trends in philanthropy.



## Discounts

Exclusive member benefits with cost-saving discounts on essential resources, services, and events, maximizing the value of your association membership.



## Job Listings

Post open job listings across the state on KACF's website.

# 2024 Highlights



CONNECT	EMPOWER	GROW
Served 116 Members and created a new KACF website	Launched Endow Kansas to create a tax credit incentive to help build unrestricted and field of interest endowments at qualified community foundations	435 attendees at Annual National Conference for Growing Community Foundations
Peer-to-Peer Networking Program with 39 CF Leaders; a 30% increase in participation	Partnered with CFLeads to bring a regional economic mobility workshop to Wichita, KS	Assisted with regional meetings in Hays, Seneca, and McPherson
Facilitated monthly Zoom calls on a variety of topics and open time for CF staff to connect	Participated in the Non-profit Day on the Hill and Community Foundation Week Proclamation Signing	Partnered with the Patterson Family Foundation to provide Match Day and Capacity Building grants



## 2025 SAVE THE DATES

- **January 16:** Monthly Zoom: LOCUS Watch Party/Impact Investing, 1 - 4 pm
- **January 30:** Membership Connect (Zoom): Match Days - Idea Sharing and Feedback, 11 am
- **February 6:** Monthly Zoom: Patterson Family Foundation - 2025 Match Grant Information
- **February 10 - 11:** Learning Collaboratives @ Garden City and Topeka with EAC
- **February/March:** TBA, Non-Profit Day on the Hill/Community Foundation Day on the Hill, Topeka, KS
- **March 1: KACF Membership applications due**
- **March 13:** Monthly Zoom: TBA
- **March 26:** Membership Connect (Zoom): New CF Staff < 2 years - Questions & Idea Sharing, 11 am
- **April 9:** Regional Retreat in Hoxie, Hosted by Sheridan County CF
- **April 16:** Regional Retreat in Pratt, Hosted by South Central CF
- **April 30:** Regional Retreat in Emporia, Hosted by Emporia CF
- **May 12 and 29:** Learning Collaboratives @ Topeka and Garden City with Embolden
- **October 15 - 17:** Annual National Conference for Growing Community Foundations, Wichita, KS

## 2024 - 2025 KACF BOARD OF DIRECTORS



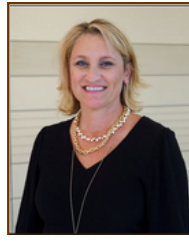
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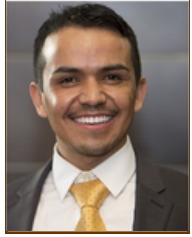
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Lori Huber, Finance and Operations Manager

# Join KACF

Ready to join KACF or  
renew your annual  
membership?

**Membership applications  
are due on or before  
March 1st.**

A copy of KACF's  
Membership Policy is  
available upon request.

Questions? Please feel free  
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