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\$6.9 million estate gift entrusted to Wichita Community Foundation

Wichita, Kan. – Prominent Wichitan Jayne Milburn will continue supporting the community for many years to come, even after her death in 2016. A \$6.9 million gift from her estate has been bequeathed to the Wichita Community Foundation (WCF), the single largest gift in the 31-year history of WCF.

“Jayne was a generous person in her lifetime and wanted to establish this permanent fund to continue that support in perpetuity,” said WCF President and CEO Shelly Prichard. “WCF is honored to be the steward of her gift that will provide millions of dollars to bolster nonprofits in our community.”



Milburn’s thorough and well-planned vision will provide annual distributions to Botanica, Wichita Art Museum, Wichita Children’s Home, and Wichita Symphony Society. The gift is endowed—meaning the dollars will be invested and dispersed annually to the donor’s selected nonprofits.

A native Wichitan, Milburn was born in 1915. After receiving her master’s degree from Stanford University, Milburn married Wichita investment banker, Glenn Milburn, in 1942. She was involved in many civic organizations including past president of the Junior League of Wichita, the Women’s Association for the Wichita Symphony Society, and a founding member of Botanica. She also had a special interest in the Wichita Art Museum, serving the organization in multiple capacities since 1948.

“WCF is humbled and grateful to have the tremendous responsibility of continuing Jayne’s legacy,” said Prichard. “Her final acts in life to prepare for the future of others speak loudly and showcase the visionary that she was.”



Founded in 1986, the Wichita Community Foundation’s mission is to be the catalyst that creates lasting legacies by partnering with people, families, and organizations to devote resources to causes that matter. The Foundation is a public nonprofit organization with nearly 300 charitable funds and agency endowments, representing \$75 million. For more information, visit wichitacf.org or call 316-264-4880.