

# News Makers

## Asset Development Milestones

- Congratulations to the Community Foundation of Southwest Missouri, Inc. for topping the \$5 million mark in total assets. Since 1999, the Community Foundation of Southwest Missouri, Inc. (formerly the Carthage Community Foundation) has been a regional leader in local philanthropic efforts.
- Congratulations to the Eldon Community Foundation for exceeding the \$1 million milestone in total assets. Established in 2005, Eldon's growth has been fueled by the overwhelmingly positive community response to the Kent Kehr Challenge for Eldon.

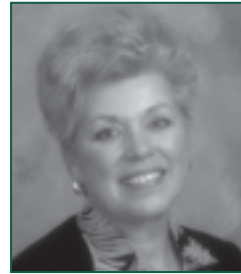
## Education Drive-In Conference

The Community Foundation of the Ozarks held a drive-in conference for education endowment partners and others interested in learning more about school foundations on June 12 at the CFO building. At the informal meeting, attendees talked about the process and benefits of establishing school foundations for entire districts as well as endowments for individual schools. The conversation also included discussion about scholarships and CFO's grantmaking programs that can benefit endowment partners. CFO staff members were on hand to answer questions, offer constructive suggestions, and discuss the services and opportunities provided by the Endowment Partners program.

## Dates to Remember!

- August 2:** Endowment Partners Planned Giving Luncheon  
(Wellington Place, Springfield)
- August 21:** Networking Lunch for Health Endowment Partners (CFO)
- September 12:** Endowment Partners Brown Bag Seminar (CFO)
- September 18:** YEP Conference (CFO)

## CFO Staff News



**Suzanne Grammer** joined the Community Foundation of the Ozarks on May 1, 2007, as the development assistant. Suzanne primarily works with development and endowment functions at CFO. Previously, Suzanne worked with the Springfield Public Schools. She replaces Kandice Alexander who went into private business.



**Mary Jo Griffith** joined the Community Foundation of the Ozarks on March 12, 2007, as the finance assistant. Mary Jo graduated from Missouri State University in 2002 with a B.S. in Geography and a minor in Marketing. Previously, she worked at Wonders of Wildlife and Great Southern Travel. She replaces Maggie Endicott who moved to Kansas City.



**Suzy Gray** has been named Chief Financial Officer for the Community Foundation of the Ozarks. This new title more accurately describes the important role that Suzy plays for the Foundation. She has been with CFO for 18 years.

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# Community Foundation of the Ozarks

## A Way of Giving Back to the Community

### Summer 2007

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The Community Foundation of the Ozarks is committed to working with donors, Endowment Partners, and regional affiliate foundations to strengthen our region through asset development, grantmaking, public leadership, and collaboration.

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#### Community Focus Report Update

The final phase of work on the *Community Focus 2007: A Report for Springfield and Greene County* is now underway and scheduled for release in September. Eleven subcommittees representing major subject areas conducted research and compiled their findings into reports presented to the steering committee this spring. The eleven subject areas covered in the report include: arts & culture; business & economic conditions; citizen participation; community health; early childhood education; housing; natural environment; public order & safety; recreation, sports & leisure; and transportation.

The volunteer steering committee wrapped up its work at the close of May. Project facilitator, Ann Elwell, and steering committee chairman, Maura Taylor, are now working to winnow down the voluminous amounts of information presented in each subject area to provide a comprehensive examination of the blue ribbons and red flags impacting the quality of life in the community.

*Community Focus* is supported by the Community Foundation of the Ozarks, the Junior League of Springfield, the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce, the Springfield-Greene County Library District, and the United Way of the Ozarks. The 2007 edition represents the third iteration of the Community report. You can read the 2005 *Community Focus* report on the web at, [www.SpringfieldCommunityFocus.org](http://www.SpringfieldCommunityFocus.org).

## CFO Celebrates Milestones

### at Annual Donor Dinner

**The Community Foundation of the Ozarks held its annual donor celebration on June 5 in the lush surroundings of the Jude Ranch in Rogersville. Nearly 175 people attended the event, and guests included donors, board members and advisory directors from across the Missouri Ozarks. Individuals who established funds during the most recent fiscal year were recognized and thanked for their important contributions to CFO and its 40 regional affiliate foundations.**

CFO Board Chairman Todd Parnell presided over the event and reflected on the numerous organizational highlights of the past year. These highlights included topping the \$135 million mark in charitable assets, launching the Stewardship Ozarks Initiative, and moving forward with the "Philanthropy Initiative Phase II," a matching program that will build administrative endowments, strengthen unrestricted endowments and provide board development for the 40 affiliate foundations. Parnell also made a surprise announcement that the Wonders of Wildlife committed \$500,000 to the Stewardship Ozarks Initiative, bringing the total conservation endowment challenge grants to \$1 million.

Concluding his year as board chairman as well as the final year of service on the board, Parnell thanked outgoing board members Peg Carolla, Lisa Officer, Tom Peebles Jr., Maura Taylor, and Parnell (see page 2). CFO President Gary Funk then took a moment to thank Parnell for his dedication and leadership as board



*Todd Parnell reflects on CFO's successful year and thanks guests for their support.*

chairman. During his tenure, Parnell was instrumental in establishing the Stewardship Ozarks Initiative. An issue of great personal importance to Parnell, the initiative will strengthen regional organizations that are committed to conservation efforts in the Missouri Ozarks through targeted grantmaking, planned giving development, and an endowment building challenge. As he thanked everyone for their commitment, Parnell offered some important perspective on CFO's role in the community and the region.

"It's the only place where you can honestly say that what you're doing and everything being done is good," said Parnell.

The evening wrapped with remarks from incoming board chairman, Ron Neville. Neville welcomed new CFO board members Cliff Brown, J. W. Gibbs, Evelyn Mangan, Bill Miller, and Doug Thornsberry.

## Regional Foundations

Ash Grove  
Aurora Area  
Benton County  
Bolivar Area  
Bourbon  
Butler County  
Cassville  
Crawford County  
DACO  
Dallas County  
Dent County  
Douglas County  
El Dorado Springs  
Eldon  
Finley River  
Hermann Area  
Hickory County  
Houston  
Jacks Fork  
Lockwood  
Marshfield Area  
Monett Area  
Mount Vernon Area  
Mountain Grove Area  
Newberg  
Nixa  
Ozark County  
Republic  
Ripley County  
Ste. Genevieve County  
St. James Area  
Seymour Area  
Southwest Missouri  
Springfield  
Stockton  
Table Rock Lake  
Taney County  
Truman Lake  
West Plains  
Willard  
Willow Springs

# CFO Salutes Outgoing Board Members



**Peg Carolla** — During her time as a member of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks' Board of Directors, Peg Carolla has been an integral part of the grants process. She was co-chairman alongside Maura Taylor on the Arts/Culture & Environment Grant Committee, Education & Community Development Grant Committee and Health and Human Services Grant Committee.



**Lisa Officer** — During her time as a Board of Directors member of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks, Lisa Officer has served as the chairman of the Audit/Operations Committee. Additionally, Officer served on the Arts/Culture & Environment Grant Committee.



**Todd Parnell** — In his six years on the Board of Directors, Todd Parnell was on the Executive Committee and served as board chair in FY 2007. During his term as chairman, he spearheaded the Stewardship Ozarks Initiative, a million-dollar challenge initiative for conservation-related organizations. Additionally, Parnell has served as the chair of the Asset Development Committee and been a member of the Investment Advisory Board as well as the Regional Committee. Parnell leaves his chairman position in the wake of a year that saw CFO make more than \$8 million in grants and distributions and reach more than \$135 million in charitable assets.



**Tom Peebles** — In his year as chairman of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks, Tom Peebles oversaw more than \$7.83 million in grants and distributions, a record 157 new funds, and a \$110 million charitable asset base. Peebles helped establish the Professional Advisors' Council during his time on the Board of Directors. Additionally, Peebles helped begin the Grantmaker's Challenge for Children, a Springfield Metropolitan initiative based in aiding children's issues. Peebles served as the chair of the Acceptance/Legal Committee as well as the Governance Committee and was a member of the Asset Development Committee and the Executive Committee. Additionally in his final year on the CFO board, Peebles and the Governance Committee completed a substantial revision of the Foundation's bylaws.



**Maura Taylor** — Maura Taylor has continually served on grant committees during her time on the Board of Directors. She was co-chairman of the Arts/Culture & Environment Grant Committee, Education & Community Development Grant Committee and Health and Human Services Grant Committee with Peg Carolla. Additionally, Taylor led the community in the creation and distribution of the 2004, 2005 and 2007 *Community Focus: A Report for Springfield and Greene County*, where she served as chairman of the steering committee.

## CFO Welcomes New Board Members

**Clifford S. Brown**, of Springfield, is a Principle at the law firm of Carnahan, Evans, Cantwell and Brown P.C.

**J. W. Gibbs** is the CEO of Springfield Trust Company. He previously served as a member of CFO's grant panel.

**Evelyn Mangan**, of Springfield, is a Partner at Blackwell Sanders LLP.

**Bill Miller**, CPA, of Springfield, is a shareholder with Kirkpatrick, Phillips & Miller certified public accounting and business advisory firm.

**Doug Thornsberry** is the Senior Vice President for Commercial Lending at Guaranty Bank in Springfield.

# STC Issues \$100,000 Challenge Grant for Springfield Grantmaking

The Community Foundation of the Ozarks reached a new milestone for grantmaking during the 2007 fiscal year by making approximately \$8.4 million in charitable grants and distributions. It was the first time in the 34 year history of the organization that charitable grants and distributions topped the \$8 million mark; reaching this level was a CFO board goal set forth in the fiscal year 2007 action plan.

Grantmaking in Springfield and Greene County will get a further boost thanks to the creation of the Fund for Springfield. In May, Springfield Trust Company announced their commitment to fuel the development of this fund with a \$100,000 challenge grant from the Springfield Trust Company Foundation Fund, a corporate charitable fund (see below).

Knowing that their charitable dollars will go even further thanks to this generous pledge adds incentive for others to contribute to the growth of this fund.

The Fund for Springfield will be an unrestricted fund, with distributions supporting community priorities through CFO's discretionary grantmaking program. Last year, more than \$650,000 of unrestricted funds was awarded through CFO's Metropolitan Springfield Community Grantmaking program.

Of that amount, \$200,000 went to the ECHO Project (see page 6). Other examples of grants made with unrestricted funds include: a \$25,000 grant to the James River Basin Partnership for a public education campaign to raise awareness of waste water reduction

and solid-waste management practices; a \$20,000 grant to the Family Violence Center to fund additional case managers for follow-up support; a \$25,000 grant awarded to Habitat for Humanity will be used to develop eco-friendly affordable housing units.

The challenge grant is a natural fit for Springfield Trust Company. STC was established by John Courtney, a former CFO board chairman. J. W. Gibbs, STC CEO, has served on CFO's grant panel and began his first term as a member of the CFO board this year. STC also manages a number of CFO charitable funds.

For more information about CFO's grantmaking programs be sure to visit our web site at [www.cfozarks.org](http://www.cfozarks.org).

## Corporate Funds

### Allow Business to Give Something Back

Establishing a corporate charitable fund with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks offers corporations and businesses of all sizes an effective way to create and administer a grantmaking program that meets their charitable objectives. Some of the key benefits of creating a corporate charitable fund with CFO include:

- **Charitable Fund Management**
- **Grantmaking Expertise**
- **Foundation Resources**
- **Foundation Initiatives**

Corporate charitable funds at CFO offer companies many of the same benefits of a private foundation, without the hassles, taxes and legal fees that can impose on the resources of all but the largest private corporate foundation. CFO offers three types of corporate charitable funds designed to fit a company's charitable goals.

- **Corporate Charitable Endowment Funds** – With a minimum gift of \$25,000, the goal of an endowment is to grow over time to maintain the spending power of grants. These funds smooth the available output as input may vary. Each year approximately 5% of the fund's fair market value is available for a corporation's grantmaking recommendations.
- **Corporate Unrestricted Funds** – CFO uses distributions from unrestricted funds for community grantmaking.
- **Corporate Grantmaking Funds** – With a minimum starting gift of \$2,500, a business can add to the fund and make grant recommendations at any time. This fund can also be converted into a Corporate Charitable Endowment Fund when it reaches the appropriate level.

Ozarks' businesses and companies have a number of reasons to get involved with charitable gift making: being a good corporate citizen, making contributions to improve the community, building strong employee morale, and heightening visibility. Whatever their reasons, more and more businesses are choosing to partner with CFO for their charitable endeavors.

## Scholarships Presented

### to Students Throughout the Ozarks



*CFO Scholarship Committee Chairman, Mel Saunders, center, and Melinda Abraham, right, congratulate Quentin Ortega, left, upon receiving the Matt Abraham Memorial Scholarship.*

More than 60 different scholarships were awarded at CFO's scholarship reception held at the Springfield Exposition Center on Tuesday, May 8, 2007. These scholarships were presented to more than 100 students representing communities across the Ozarks served by the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and its 40 affiliate foundations. Scholarship amounts ranged from \$100 to \$5,000 a year for four years. CFO board member Mel Saunders, chairman of CFO's Scholarship Committee, presided over the event, handing out scholarship certificates and meeting students and their families. After the scholarship presentation, students and their families were invited to a complimentary pizza lunch and Springfield Cardinals matinee game.

The scholarship program is an important part of CFO's mission to enhance the quality of life for future generations in the Ozarks by offering young people the opportunity to receive a higher education. Community Foundation of the Ozarks administers more than 150 individual scholarship funds with assets totaling more than \$14 million. This year, approximately \$500,000 will be awarded to students throughout the Ozarks. Many of these scholarship programs represent cooperative efforts that work with local scholarship committees. The Community Foundation of the Ozarks' scholarship committee selects recipients for 22 CFO-managed scholarships.

# Donor Advised Fund Allows Lemons to Continue Giving Back to the Community



*LaRue Lemons and  
Fred Lemons.*

Giving something back to the Lockwood community has always been important to Fred and LaRue Lemons. Establishing the Fred and LaRue Lemons Family Charitable Fund with the Lockwood Community Foundation marks only their latest effort to give something back to the community that the couple has called home for more than fifty years.

The Lemons established the Fred and LaRue Lemons Family Charitable Fund as a donor advised fund in December 2006. However, the Lemons' commitment to their community began long before this fund was established. In fact, service to the community has been an important family tradition for the Lemons. Mrs. Lemons was elected mayor of Lockwood on two separate occasions. Mr. Lemons served on the Lockwood school board, and his

daughter followed suit, becoming the fourth generation of her family elected to the home town school board.

In 1998, the Lemons and several other Lockwood residents established the Lockwood Community Foundation. One of Community Foundation of the Ozarks' earliest affiliate foundations, creating a fund for the community arts program became one of the first tasks for the Lockwood Community Foundation. The Lemons and the others then worked with the Lockwood schools to establish a fund to serve the needs of Lockwood's students. The Lockwood Foundation broke ground in another area when they established the Schilling Scholarship Fund, one of the first life estates in the CFO network. Mr. Lemons is now the president of the Lockwood Community Foundation.

"Our community has been good to us and our family over the years, and we felt that we ought to pay the community back," explained Mr. Lemons.

Establishing a donor advised fund offered the Lemons a great way to give even more back to their community. The Fred and LaRue Lemons Family Charitable Fund allows the Lemons to direct their charitable giving by making specific grant recommendations based on their interests or the needs of their community. Because donor advised funds are endowed funds, the Lemons' Family Charitable Fund will be there in perpetuity and grow over time, maintaining the long standing family tradition of giving something back to the community.

## Donor Advised Funds

Donor advised funds continue to be a popular and important philanthropic vehicle. Nationally, the number of donor advised funds grow at a 25% clip as more and more individuals and businesses seek an effective way to give back to the community. Donor advised funds with CFO include more than \$33 million in total assets. The American Bar Association's (ABA) Charitable Planning Task Force recently underscored the key benefits of donor advised funds in response to an IRS request for comments on the subject. The three main benefits of donor advised funds cited by the ABA are:

- First, donor advised funds are a very cost-efficient alternative to a private foundation. While private foundations may be funded with millions of dollars, community foundations and other charities maintain donor advised funds for \$10,000 or even lower amounts. The ability of public charities to aggregate and collectively invest donor advised funds opens the grant-making door to many donors of moderate resources.
- Second, the DAF benefits from oversight from the public charity. Making legal and effective grants requires expertise in understanding the operations of

charitable organizations. Public charities are often much more knowledgeable about effective grants than many individual donors operating a private foundation.

- Third, the donor advised fund is maintained by a public charity and, therefore, qualifies for a fair market value deduction for gifts of real property. This fair market value deduction often produces much greater tax savings than the basis-only deduction for a real estate, art or family business gift to a private foundation.

For more information about donor advised funds with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks or one of its 40 regional affiliates, contact CFO at (417) 864-6199 or visit us on the web at [www.cfozarks.org](http://www.cfozarks.org).



*In December 2006, second graders at all 21 Springfield Title I schools received a new book and other materials to promote reading thanks to a grant from an anonymous donor advised fund held by CFO. Here, second graders from Pittman Elementary enjoy their new books.*

# Affiliate Foundations

## Outgoing and Incoming Presidents



### **Glenn Kemper, Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation**

Glenn Kemper has been with the Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation since its inception in 2004, the affiliate's first president. During Glenn's time as president, the Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation has grown significantly, reaching more than \$260,000 in total assets and fifteen individual funds. Kemper's work has also included the growth of a significant scholarship program, with six scholarship funds for Mountain Grove area students. Kemper continues to serve as the volunteer coordinator. Dr. David Barbe is the new president of the Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation.

### **Nicholas Inman, Marshfield Area Community Foundation**

Nicholas Inman has served as the president of the Marshfield Area Community Foundation since it was founded in 2005. Since then, Inman has helped guide the growth of the CFO affiliate foundation which now includes eight funds and almost \$300,000 in charitable assets. Robert Foster is the new president of the Marshfield Area Community Foundation.

### **Carolyn Phelps, Community Foundation of Southwest Missouri, Inc.**

Carolyn Phelps completed a one-year term as board chair of the Community Foundation of Southwest Missouri, Inc. this spring. Phelps was one of the founding members of the Community Foundation of Southwest Missouri, and has served on the board of directors since its establishment in 1999. During her year as chair, the foundation's total assets exceeded \$4.5 million, making it the largest of CFO's affiliate foundations. Robert Copeland Jr. succeeds Phelps as chair.



### **Dr. Ron Giedd, Greater Seymour Area Foundation**

Ron Giedd was instrumental in establishing the Greater Seymour Area Foundation, and served as their first president when it was established in 1998. Under Giedd's leadership, the foundation renovated the historic "School Moms" building that will now serve the community in a variety of functions. Total assets grew to more than \$850,000 during his tenure. Giedd received the first ever Bridge Builder award from the Community Foundation of the Ozarks for his commitment to the foundation ideal and his work in establishing the Greater Seymour Area Foundation.

Dan Underwood replaces Giedd as president.

The Community Foundation of the Ozarks is very grateful to all outgoing presidents and their commitment to local communities.

## CFO Regional Meetings Coming This Fall

CFO will again host regional meetings this fall. While the dates and locations are still being finalized, the regional meetings will be held during the first two weeks of October.

Board members from regional affiliate foundations and leaders from area endowment partners are invited to this year's regional meetings to brainstorm and discuss issues important to their work in the community. Topics at the meetings include a CFO update, new giving strategies, planned giving discussions, and others.

Last fall, CFO held five regional meetings, in Branson, Buffalo, Republic, St. James and West

Plains. More than 80 people representing 33 Ozarks' communities attended the 2006 series of regional meetings. Topics ranged from planned giving discussions to the role of foundation board members.

The dates and locations for this year's regional meetings will be announced soon. Look for this information in the monthly regional and endowment partner updates, distributed via email. If you do not receive these updates and would like to, email us at [rvanbibber@cfozarks.org](mailto:rvanbibber@cfozarks.org).

Information will also be available on our web site, [www.cfozarks.org](http://www.cfozarks.org).

# ECHO Project Update

**No single issue among the red flags and blue ribbons identified in the 2005 Community Focus report impacts the future of Springfield and Greene County as does the alarmingly high number of children living in poverty.**

The community response to this looming red flag, however, has been tremendous and to date the Grantmaker's Challenge for Children has directed almost \$8 million toward addressing the issue. An effective response requires the community's collaboration to go alongside the charitable contribution.

Funded through a \$1 million CFO grant, the five year ECHO (Enhancing Children's Healthy Opportunities) Project brings together Burrell Behavioral Health, CFO, Community Partnership of the Ozarks, MSU, and the Springfield Public Schools in a collaborative effort to promote childhood resiliency. The project serves two Springfield elementary schools, Campbell and Robberson, with a significant population of at-risk students.

Building on the expertise of the collaborating organizations, the project activities represent a holistic focus on helping children and their families break the cycle of poverty. Project activities include:

- Training in the Boys and Girls Town model for staff members (teaching social and emotional skills).
- Providing "Parenting Wisely" curriculum to at least 32 families per target school each year.
- Promoting student wellness by increased awareness and utilization of the Toothtruck, CARE Mobile and Jordan Valley Community Health Center.

- Providing pre-teacher education to Missouri State University education students.
- Placing a behavioral intervention specialist in the schools.
- Making the counselor at each school a full-time position.

The flagship effort of the Grantmaker's Challenge for Children completed its first year of service this spring. Project evaluation from the Institute for School Improvement at MSU is forthcoming, but positive results are already visible. Counselors at each school have been able to work directly with more students and families since becoming full-time through the project, and they have also been important in the implementation of the Boys and Girls Town curriculum in classrooms.

The behavior interventionist, Kerri Bell, MS PLPC, from Burrell, worked with almost thirty students at both schools facing serious mental health issues—the majority of whom have been abused—that threaten their personal and academic success. Although many of those students require a long-term treatment process, Bell reports noticeable improvement among many of the students she sees. Principals and staff at each school concur.

"[The behavioral interventionist] addresses a huge piece that we were not able to address before," said Kevin Huffman, principal at Robberson Elementary. "This is more than just a band aid."

Parenting Wise, taught by staff from CFO, is a recognized best practices program that helps parents of at-risk students learn basic parenting



*Jonathon Kozol visits with teachers from Campbell and Robberson Elementary Schools.*

skills that will help children develop positive behavior patterns and promote resiliency. Classes were offered twice in the fall semester and three times in the spring with good attendance numbers at each class.

"We've seen more awareness from kids and parents, and parents are getting more involved with their kids both at school and away from school," said Steve Seal, ECHO project director.

For staff at the two schools, an April visit by award winning education author Jonathon Kozol proved to be an inspirational highlight of the project's first year. Kozol, whose work explicitly deals with obstacles facing the nation's poorest students, toured the schools and was able to see the ECHO project in action. The author later remarked that he was impressed with their work, and during an informal conversation with staff from both schools, he noted that efforts such as these were fine examples of a community-wide approach that could go a long way toward addressing many of the challenges facing America's most at-risk children.



*Guy Morelock, WCCF president, accepts a check from Rob Baird of Conco Companies matching funds raised for the Willard Children's Health and Dental Fund.*

the successful conclusion of a yearlong effort in which Conco pledged to match funds raised by the WCCF for the Willard Children's Health and Dental Fund. The Willard Children's Health and Dental Fund was established in 2006 as a field of interest fund by the WCCF. Distributions go to the Willard schools to help meet the health and dental needs of underprivileged children in the Willard community.

Throughout the nation and here in the Ozarks, access to health and dental care is becoming increasingly limited for many citizens, particularly children, a deeply unsettling trend. CFO's dental and orthodontic grantmaking programs directly address this issue by extending the opportunity to receive quality dental care to our uninsured and underinsured neighbors.

## Orthodontic Grants

In May, Rob Baird of Conco Companies presented a check for more than \$13,000 to the Willard Children's Charitable Foundation. The check represented

Established by Charles L. Weaver, DDS, CFO's Charles L Weaver and Dorothy Weaver Memorial Orthodontic grant program has provided grants totaling \$79,968 so that 62 Springfield and area residents could receive needed orthodontic treatment. Recipients are selected if misaligned teeth are affecting speech, nutrition, causing facial disfiguration, or causing temporomandibular joint problems. To qualify for a grant, individuals must be nominated by their dentist and school nurse. Grants are made only to those in financial need, and candidates must qualify for either the Federal Free Lunch Program or Medicaid. In addition to the grants made by the fund, orthodontists donate one half of the treatment cost.

Part of the Marshfield Area Community Foundation, the Retha Stone Baker and William G. Baker Dental Care Fund serves a similar purpose to the Weaver and Willard Funds. Established in 2001, this fund benefits the dental needs of children in Webster County. School nurses work with the Marshfield affiliate foundation to identify students in need of dental care.

CFO's orthodontic grantmaking programs reach just a fraction of the people without access to dental care. However, the impact on the lives of those who are served is tremendous.

# Foundation Community Grant Report

The ongoing, discretionary community grantmaking programs of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and its regional affiliate foundations are funded with distributions from unrestricted and field-of-interest funds that are earmarked for specific communities or foundations. Grants listed below were made from March 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

## Bolivar Area Community Foundation

Bolivar Area Chamber of Commerce  
Programs .....\$500

## Butler County Community Foundation

Altrusa International of Poplar Bluff  
Girls of Sierra Osage .....\$500  
Butler County Community Resource Council  
Success in Tutoring .....\$500  
Butler County Emergency Management  
Search and rescue team .....\$500  
Moark Regional Railroad Museum  
80th Anniversary Repairs .....\$500  
Northside Nutrition Center  
Homebound Senior Meals .....\$500  
St. Vincent de Paul Society Pantry.....\$500

## Community Foundation of Southwest Missouri, Inc.

Community Clinic of Carthage  
Prescriptions .....\$1,000  
Fair Acres Family YMCA, Inc.  
Discover Active Program .....\$1,000  
MSU – Ozarks Public Television  
Early education workshops in  
Jasper County .....\$800  
Carthage R-9 School Foundation  
Special Olympics .....\$315  
Jasper County Youth Fair, Inc.  
Unrestricted.....\$1,000  
Lafayette House  
Fence for transitional living home ..\$900

## Dent County Community Foundation

Salem Area Arts Council  
Roots Festival.....\$500

## Douglas County Community Foundation

Ava Art Guild  
Operating expenses .....\$1,500  
Dow Camp  
Sponsor campers.....\$100  
American Cancer Society Relay for Life  
Douglas County .....\$1,000

## Community Foundation of the Hermann Area, Inc.

Berlemer Pharmacy  
Meds for cancer patients .....\$688  
Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home  
Funeral .....\$1,000

Conoco Phillips  
Gas cards for cancer patients.....\$3,920  
Grant for motel during cancer treatment  
.....\$439

Hermann Pharmacy  
Prescriptions for cancer patients  
and related cancer services .....\$2,359  
Opal Sisters Estate  
Grant for meds .....\$143

## Mountain Grove Area Community Foundation

Mountain Grove Senior Center  
Kitchen equipment.....\$1,038

## Monett Area Community Foundation

BLAST  
Board materials .....\$1,187

## Mount Vernon Area Community Foundation

Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council, Inc.  
Various activities .....\$500

## Nixa Community Foundation

Christian County Sheriff's Department Association  
Safetypalooza .....\$2,000  
OACAC Christian County Neighborhood Center  
Back to School Fair .....\$1,000

## Republic Community Foundation

House of Ruth  
Clinic supplies .....\$400  
People Helping People  
Tiger totes .....\$1,388  
Republic Fine Arts Council  
Community band music.....\$536  
Republic High School  
Band uniforms.....\$450  
Republic Parks & Recreation  
Master Gardeners project.....\$400  
Republic R-III Schools  
Early childhood digital KB.....\$713  
Republic R-III Schools  
Interaction skills grades 5-8 .....\$76

## Greater Seymour Area Community Foundation

City of Seymour/Seymour Community Library  
Support economic development project  
.....\$2,000  
Friends of the Library  
Audio books .....\$300

Girl Scout Troop #684  
Purchase uniform shirts .....\$233  
Girl Scout Troop #684  
Uniform/travel expenses .....\$500  
Seymour Elementary School  
Accelerated reading program supplies  
& awards .....\$500  
Playground Equipment .....\$2,000  
Seymour Headstart  
Books.....\$300  
Seymour Youth Empowerment Program  
Seymour Science Fair.....\$250  
Seymour Project Graduation .....\$500  
YMCA Seymour  
Youth Garden Club.....\$250

## Ste. Genevieve County Community Foundation

Dramarama Theatre  
Summer art school .....\$10,000

## Taney County Community Foundation

Bonniebrook Historical Society  
Research computer system .....\$50  
Boy Scout Troop 272  
Camping trailer.....\$50  
Forsyth Library  
Summer reading program .....\$200  
Hiding Place Ministry, Inc.  
Support children's programs .....\$900  
Neighbor's Pantry  
Lunch box program.....\$200  
OACAC  
Paths for Kissee Mills .....\$300  
Rockaway Beach Library  
New library.....\$200  
Senior Friendship Center  
Walk-in refrigerator .....\$500  
White River Historical Society  
Camera memory card & reader  
.....\$100

## Truman Lake Community Foundation

Local Boy Scout troops  
Camper fees.....\$750  
Appleton City Landmarks  
Access ramp.....\$1,770  
Henry County health Department  
Car seat safety program.....\$1,000  
Henry County Museum  
Brown Cemetery stone repair .....\$1,000