In March, a deed was recorded transferring the title of the remaining parcel of landbank property from the Phelps County Community Foundation to the City of Holdrege. This tract of land is the future site for new ballfields in Holdrege.

The Foundation purchased a little more than 44 acres of land from Evelyn Hammond in 1994. It was Mrs. Hammond’s wish that this land be used for charitable purposes. Hence, restrictive covenants were adopted and the Foundation sought ways to increase capacity for local non-profits by granting land to them for expansion and growth.

The first land grant was made to the Educational Service Unit #11 in 1995. The YMCA of the Prairie entered into a capital campaign in 2005 for the construction of a facility in Holdrege. The Foundation granted 7.3 acres of land, in addition to a $250,000 lead gift, to the YMCA.

The Foundation was approached by Phelps Memorial Health Center about the possibility of building a medical arts facility that would be in close proximity to the hospital. The Foundation board felt this was a great fit for the benefit of our medical community and the area residents they serve. The Foundation granted five acres to the hospital and Phelps Medical Plaza was completed in 2006.

The Nebraska Prairie Museum was the venue for “looking into the past” in Phelps County on Sunday, April 2. Guests were given a glimpse of what Phelps County was like many years ago while seeing the historical impact the Phelps County Community Foundation has had in the county’s five communities in the over 41 years.

A presentation by museum director, Dan Christensen, and Foundation director, Vickie Klein, took the audience through each of those communities in Phelps County, sharing the investments made in each of those communities through the Foundation’s grant program.

A community foundation was created in Phelps County in 1976 through the estate of Holdrege businesswoman, Irene Anderson. From that inspired gift, great impact has been created in Phelps County and today, the Foundation manages charitable assets of just under $20 million.

In 2013, following a successful bond issue for a new elementary school, the Foundation granted 12.66 acres to the Holdrege Public Schools. A new elementary school opened in 2015.

With one remaining tract of land, the City of Holdrege requested those acres for the construction of new ballfields. The Foundation was thrilled to make this final grant of land to the City of Holdrege.

The creativity and foresight of past and current Foundation board members continues to have a significant impact on non-profits in Phelps County.
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- DiAnn S. Harris Scholarship
- First Presbyterian Church of Holdrege Endowment
- Funk School Community Center
- Holdrege Animal Shelter
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- Holdrege High School Class of 1965 Scholarship

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- Holdrege Animal Shelter
- Holdrege Area Public Library
- Holdrege School District #44
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$20,892.63—Funk School Community Center
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The Phelps County Community Foundation has hosted five giving days since 2012. Because you care, we have distributed over $3.2 million to our local non-profit groups, organizations and projects. Because you care, our non-profits don’t just survive, they thrive. Because you care, we all benefit from the enhanced services provided through our local non-profits.

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The amazing thing about give2Grow is the response received from people who care about Phelps County. Local citizens are quick to respond to any need in our county. People who previously lived in Phelps County still have strong ties and support where they grew up and where their extended families continue to live.

Get ready to give in support of our local non-profits through give2Grow
Phelps County Match Day on Thursday, November 16.
Meet the New Foundation Board Members

Carrie Trompke and Lacie Westcott have recently joined the Phelps County Community Foundation’s Board of Directors.

There are seven committees of the Foundation board and all board members serve on approximately three committees.

Carrie (Larson) Trompke lives in rural Loomis with her husband Justin and four children. A lifelong resident of Phelps County, Carrie graduated from Loomis High School and the University of Nebraska - Kearney. Mrs. Trompke is the finance compliance officer at Ag West in Holdrege. Carrie will serve on the grants, community engagement, and scholarship committees.

Lacie (Hollertz) Westcott is also a lifelong resident of Phelps County. Lacie and her husband, Shane, have two children and live in Holdrege. Lacie graduated from Holdrege High School and the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Mrs. Westcott is employed by Phelps Memorial Health Center as the director of marketing and business development. Lacie will serve on the finance, scholarship and community engagement committees.

The Foundation looks forward to the energy and creativity both of these individuals will offer to Phelps County.
As we come to the end of June and complete the 41st fiscal year of the Phelps County Community Foundation, we again are amazed at the generosity of those who live here. Whether it be in donations of dollars or time, we have some wonderful people and families who understand and believe in the importance of the work the Foundation does.

If you have not had an opportunity to see the newly completed back meeting and social area of the office, please feel to stop by and take a look. We are very proud of our much needed new facilities.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Sue Waller and Jeff Buettner. Both have completed their second term and the maximum of six years of service to the board. It has been a pleasure working with them and I cannot say enough about the dedication and leadership to the board of directors and their roles during an exciting time in the growth and reach of the Foundation.

We are also excited to welcome Lacie Westcott and Carrie Trompke to the board of directors. We appreciate their willingness to help Phelps County prosper into the future and look forward to working with them as they bring their ideas and talents to the mission of the Foundation.

The Foundation is a special organization that is accomplishing some wonderful things. As I have said many times, the impact we have is only possible because of the generosity of each of our donors. The process is possible only because of the dedication of our volunteers and our staff. Working together, we will continue to help organizations in Phelps County create opportunities and improve the quality of life for all.

This past year has been a whirlwind of activity and excitement at the Foundation. In April of 2016 we moved into our newly renovated office space and fell in love with going to work each day in this amazing building. We have recently renovated what we affectionately call ‘the back room’ and are excited about the prospects of opening this space up for public use. There will be no fee to use this space and we hope to be able to extend the services we provide in Phelps County by offering this space as a meeting and activity facility for area non-profits and local businesses.

Give2Grow experienced its fifth successful giving day in November. To date, more than $3.2 million has been distributed to area non-profits through give2Grow. It WOWS me! Our next giving day will be Thursday, Nov. 16 and we welcome your participation.

Estate gifts have poured forth from caring individuals in the form of scholarships, charitable funds and unrestricted giving. $2.2 million was gifted to the work of the Foundation during this fiscal year through the estates of numerous donors. It is so incredibly humbling when someone loves your work enough to trust to carry out their charitable intent past their lifetimes.

The Foundation granted its final piece of ground to the City of Holdrege in March and we can all look forward to a new baseball-softball complex next year.

The Foundation celebrated 41 years of philanthropy in Phelps County this year. The ONLY way a community foundation remains vibrant is through the support of donors. Every gift matters and every gift counts, no matter the size.

I am in my 14th year of service to the Foundation and to Phelps County and I feel very blessed to be here.

Jeff Buettner and Sue Waller have each served six years on the Phelps County Community Foundation’s Board of Directors. Each has played a significant role in the growth and direction of the Foundation.

During their tenure, the Foundation board was instrumental in launching give2Grow, relocating the office and promoting the creation of a Women’s Giving Group. Foundation assets doubled during their six years of service from $9.8 million to nearly $20 million.

Jeff was very effective while serving as chair of the facilities and equipment committee. This committee led the Foundation through the purchase and renovation of the Foundation’s new office space. Jeff provided valuable insight in service to the finance, community engagement and scholarship committees.

Serving on the scholarship committee has been a tireless passion for Sue. Her insights were valuable as the Foundation moved to an online portal for scholarship application and review. Sue also created inspiration in service to the community engagement and nominating committees and was gifted in planning events to celebrate and honor the donors of the Foundation.

The staff and board of the Phelps County Community Foundation would like to thank both of these individuals for the impact they created in making Phelps County a better place.