

# 2016 Annual Report

## **ABOUT THE FOUNDATION:**

The Metro Omaha Medical Society Foundation was formed in 1981 when Dr. Charles Bressman was President of Metro Omaha Medical Society. After Dr. Bressman's death in 1994, the Foundation received a gift of \$5,000 from the Bressman Family to help fund the community goals of the Foundation. Since then, physicians have had the opportunity to donate to the Foundation at the time of membership renewal, or as a memorial. Foundation funds have grown over the years because of the generous support by Metro Omaha Medical Society members. In 2002, the Foundation began awarding community grants to various organizations in the Metro Omaha area.

The MOMS Medical MESS Club Event, which features a silent auction and musical theater performance, is another opportunity for members to donate. All proceeds from this event benefit the MOMS Foundation.

For the last decade, the MOMS Foundation has also supported a number of organizations through our Match Grant Program including: Hope Medical Outreach Coalition, Lasting Hope Recovery Center, Josie Harper Hospice House, Food Bank for the Heartland, Omaha Street School, Metropolitan Community College Single Parent Homemaker Services, and Omaha Children's Museum ImagiNation exhibit. MOMS Foundation matches the first \$5,000 in donations for this grant.

The Metro Omaha Medical Society Foundation is proud to award thousands of dollars each year to organizations supporting Metro Omaha Medical Society's primary mission of advocating for patients and public health. Since 2002, with your support, the Foundation has donated more than \$270,000 through our general grants, and \$70,000 through the Match Grant Program! We thank you for your commitment to serving our community and ask that you join us in making an even greater impact in this coming year.

### **OUR MISSION:**

The Metro Omaha Medical Society Foundation identifies and provides support to community priorities where physician involvement can make a difference in improving the health of the metro Omaha community.

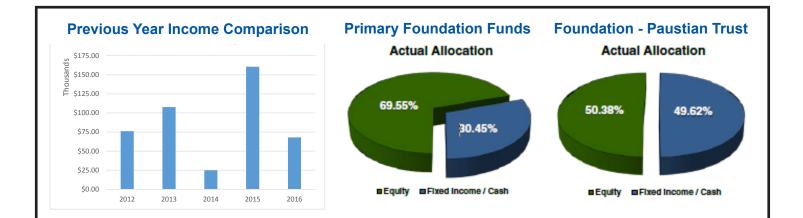
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# **2016 COMMUNITY GRANT RECIPIENTS**

#### **BOY SCOUTS - \$5,862.75**

The Boy Scouts of America program aims to create unparalleled experiences for youth which create value, enthusiasm, robust growth, and

retention of program participants. This grant will fund the purchase of three automated external defibrillators, one for three camps in Omaha and surrounding areas as a way to provide adequate care for staff members, adult volunteers, Scouts, and guests. The estimated number of people who will be served by this is almost 25,000.

#### CHILD SAVING INSTITUTE - \$1,000



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Child Saving Institute provides

a safe haven and healing for thousands of innocent young victims of family crisis, neglect, and abuse. They offer several services including early childhood education, foster care, adoption, an emergency shelter, parenting classes, and therapy. Funds from this grant will be used to train emergency shelter staff in Medication Management procedures, which is expected to benefit over 100 children.

#### CHILDREN'S RESPITE CARE - \$1,158

Children's Respite Care Center provides comprehensive services and

family support for children with special medical, developmental, and cognitive needs. Services offered include safe, fun, an educationally stimulating environment, low adultto-child ratio, and parent training and resources. Grant funds will go towards the purchase of two Exergen Temporal Artery Instant Thermometers and one Mobile Care and Workstation with Shelf as part of a mobile nursing station, serving approximately 170 clients.

#### METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

#### FOUNDATION - \$3,510

Metropolitan Community College will host the Omaha

Bi-National Health fair, the largest mobilization effort taking place across the U.S. and Canada to improve the health and well-being of underserved Latino populations with services such as flu vaccinations, and preventative screenings. The funds will support equipment needs for glucose screening for an estimated 600 adults and 200 children.

#### MIDWEST YOUCAN FOUNDATION - \$1,000

Through recreational programs, support groups, and community outreach, the Midwest



YouCan Foundation helps people with epilepsy establish meaningful relationships, strengthen self-confidence, and explore their independence with a focus on all the things they can do as individuals and members of a supportive community. The funds from this grant will be used towards the support group program at Camp YouCan, and will benefit approximately 300 people.

#### OMAHA CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY - \$1,575

Since 2010, the Omaha Chamber Music Society has collaborated with the Hospice House – The Josie Harper Residence, to support dying patients and their families



with the healing power of music, aiding in reducing anxiety and pain perception, as well as improving blood pressure and heart rate. This grant will fund 21 professional musician visits and will serve 945 individuals.

#### PROJECT HARMONY - \$5,000

Project Harmony provides effective, immediate, and sensitive support to child

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immediate, and sensitive support to child abuse victims and their non-offending family members with a focus on the goal of ending the cycle of child abuse and neglect. This grant will cover the cost of hair testing for 50 child abuse victims to determine if they have been

exposed to illegal drugs and if the drugs are in their system.

#### **RESPECT - \$2,975**

Programs at RESPECT aim to decrease violence and abuse



with the use of interactive theater programs to focus on the prevention of abusive relationship dynamics and empower kids and adults to take action and stand up to help. Funds from this grant will underwrite actors for ten one-hour educational theatre programs on the topics of healthy relationships, bullying, child abuse, intimate partner violence and mental health and will serve 1,500 people.





# MATCH PROGRAM RECIPIENTS

#### 2016: OMAHA CHILDREN'S MUSEUM 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY IMAGINATION EXHIBIT - \$10,470 (Presented January 2016)

Partnering with the Omaha Children's Museum to build a medical space within their ImagiNation exhibit, member physicians developed three distinct interactive spaces. The exhibit opened in October 2016 and will remain open until April 2017.

The first space, a pre-operative area, was aimed at not only allowing kids to role play as a physician or patient, but was also designed to educate them and calm some fears.

The second space, featured a video kiosk where a variety of on-demand videos cover topics such as bones, eyes, immunizations, preventing the spread of germs, skin cancer prevention, nutrition and exercise.

The final area features a six foot, more medically accurate verson of the popular Operation Game. Kids can place ear tubes, remove the appendix, stitch wounds and much more.

The exhibit, when completed, will be added as part of the museum's permanent collection. This

exhibit is expected to be visited by 150,000 people throughout the duration.

#### 2017: OMAHA HEALTHY KIDS ALLIANCE PROJECT AIR - \$10,350 (Presented January 2017)



Project AIR (Asthma In-Home Response) is a service and research project to help reduce asthma triggers in the home. Project AIR was designed to reduce emergency department visits and hospitalizations for asthma-related symptoms and document a return on investment for Healthy

Housing interventions.

Project AIR models the multi-trigger, multi-component, homebased asthma intervention as a proven model for pediatric asthma patients. All of the participants were referred by their health care providers and largely had female heads of household. After the inspections, these families receive instruction and assistance to reduce

or remove such things as volatile organic compounds (VOCs) such as candles, air fresheners, and harsch cleaning chemical as well as factors such as mold, pest infectations and second-hand smoke.

Your donation and the matching funds from Metro Omaha Medical Society Foundation will pay for four radon monitor machines and two laser particle counters to identify particles in the air, which will increase their current inspection capacity by three times (to 300 per year). Any additional donations will go into a fund to pay for machine maintenance. The machines purchased will continue to benefit for the program for the next 8-12 years.







# **SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR 2016 DONORS**

The donors listed below made contributions the Metro Omaha Medical Society Foundation either to the general grant fund, as a memorial or through the Match Program.

> We thank each and every donor for enabling the MOMS Foundation to make a positive impact in the community.

#### **\$1,000 AND ABOVE**

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