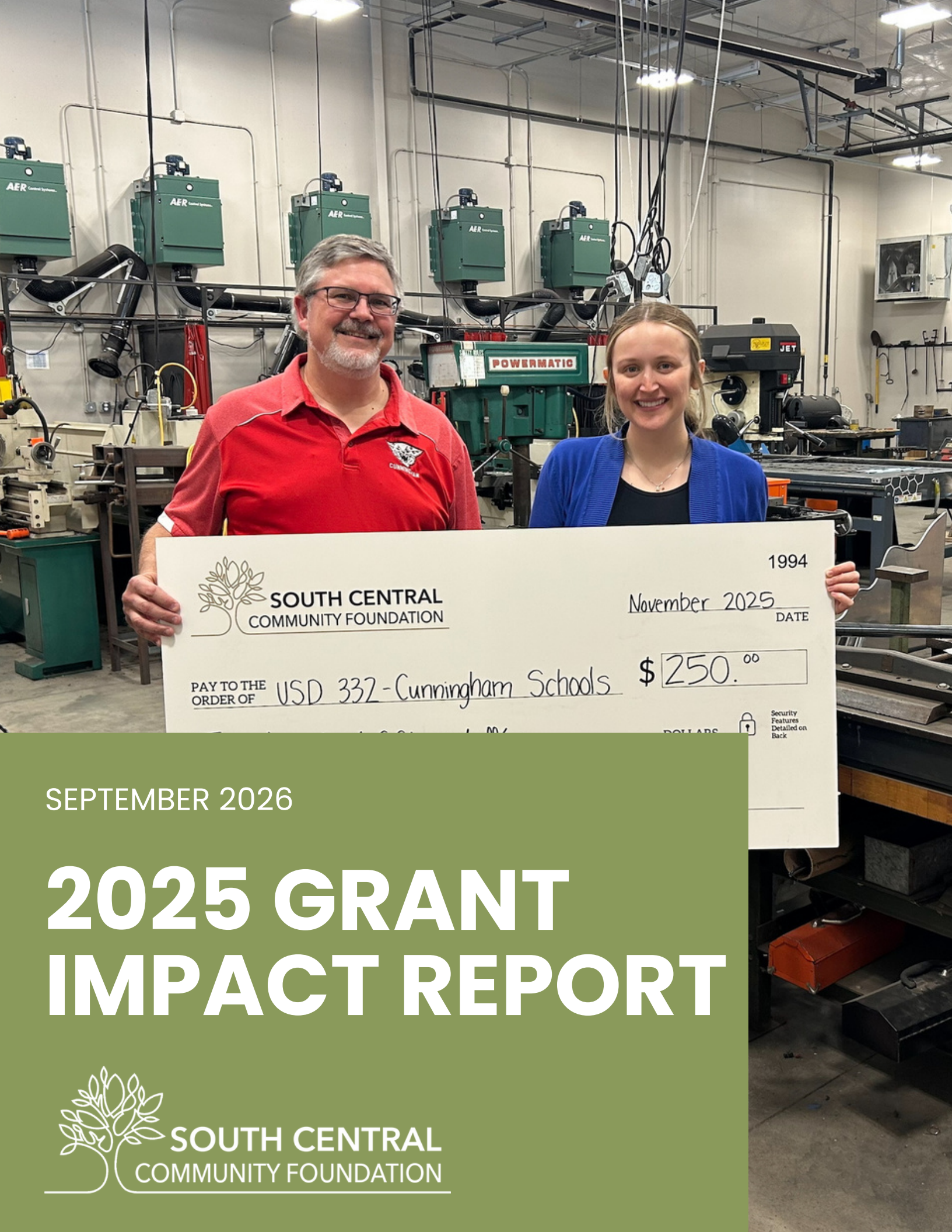




SEPTEMBER 2026

2025 GRANT IMPACT REPORT



COMPETITIVE GRANT PROCESS: HISTORY

MORE THAN A GRANT

The story behind SCCF's competitive grant funds

Happy September 2026!

SCCF is excited to share our first official Grant Impact Report from the 2025 Grantees. This data was collected from the grantee reports that were due August 1st, 2026. Before diving into the numbers and stories, I'd like to take a moment to share the history behind SCCF's competitive grant process and why these grants look different from county to county.

Today, SCCF offers seven competitive grant opportunities, including two made possible through early gifts of real estate from Judd and Bobbe Stanion and Claudine Riney. Proceeds from the sale of one property and ongoing CRP income from the other provided the seed money to establish SCCF's Impact Funds and Children's Impact Fund, one for each of our seven counties, along with an Impact Fund and Children's Impact Fund available to organizations from any of the seven counties.

Each county was then given the opportunity to grow its Impact/Children's Fund through local fundraising, with those dollars matched by the original gifts. Because each fund has grown at a different pace over the years, the amount available to grant from one county to another can vary. This history helps explain the differences in grant awards you'll see throughout this report.

A LEGACY STILL AT WORK

More than 30 years ago, local supporters believed in something that would take time: building permanent resources today to support community needs for generations to come.

As we look at the impact of the 2025 competitive grant process, it is rewarding to see that vision still at work. The gifts that helped establish these funds around 1994 continue to provide opportunities for organizations across South Central Kansas today.

We are incredibly grateful to the early supporters who believed in the endowment concept and invested in the future of our communities. Their foresight is still making a difference more than three decades later.

As always, please reach out to the Foundation anytime with questions and we look forward to seeing what the 2026 Competitive Grant Process will inspire next.

Holly Launchbaugh
Executive Director

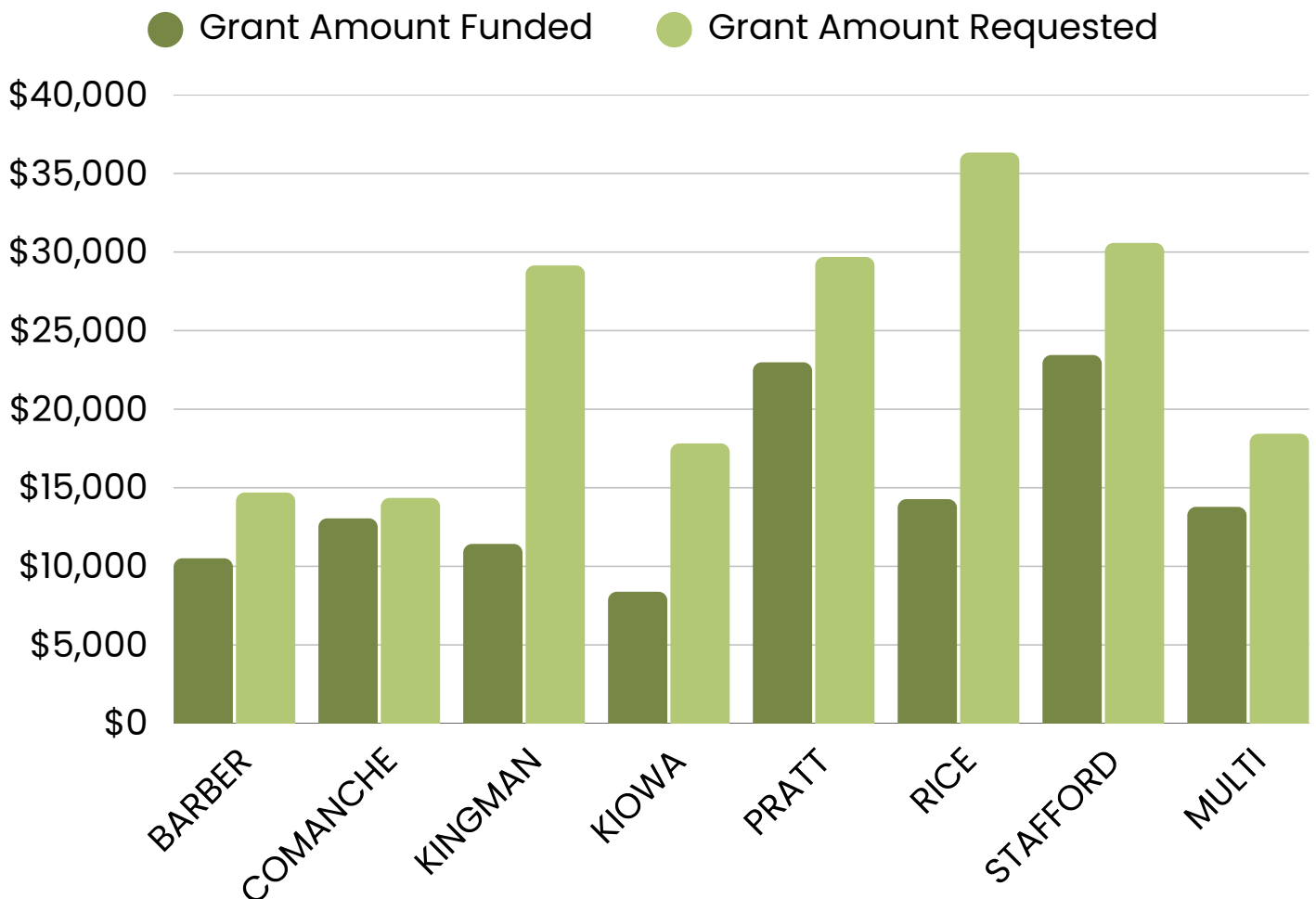
2025 COMMUNITY GRANT DATA: REQUEST VS. FUNDING

GROWING NEED. GROWING OPPORTUNITY.

Looking at the 2025 data, we continue to see increased awareness of SCCF's competitive grant opportunities, with applications trending upward. That is encouraging; it means more organizations know SCCF is here to help. At the same time, the amount available to grant has not increased at the same pace as the need we see in our communities.

That is where continued investment in these endowment funds matters.

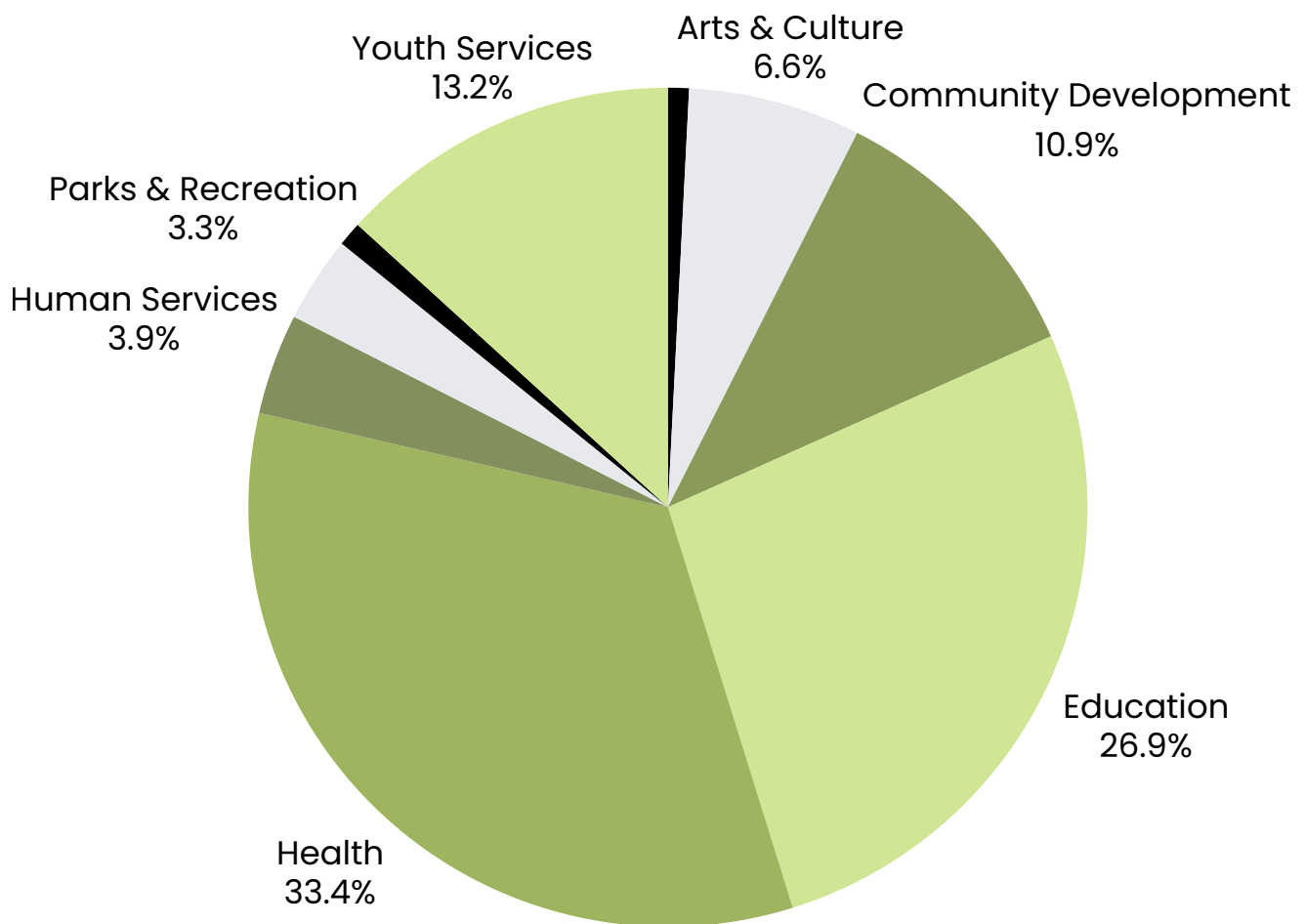
SCCF staff continues to share this need with our Board, donors, and community partners while encouraging gifts to either a specific county fund or the seven county fund. Every contribution, regardless of size, helps strengthen these permanent funds and increase the resources available to future grant applicants.



2025 COMMUNITY GRANT DATA: IMPACT CATEGORIES

WHERE THE GRANTS MAKE AN IMPACT

The next data point in this report looks at the areas of impact represented by our 2025 grant recipients. SCCF selected the category that best represented each organization's grant. Thanks in part to the Children's \$5,000 Health Grant, health continues to appear slightly ahead of education among the areas receiving support.



On page three, we are excited to spotlight two 2025 grant recipients through their stories and photos. On page four, you'll find even more photos submitted by our grant recipients as part of the required 2025 grant reporting process.

We've also included a QR code linking to our 2025 Grant Recipient Brochure, which is available at www.sccfks.org under the grants tab.

KIOWA COUNTY HAVILAND RECREATION: FEED THE YOUTH



With the help of this grant, we were able to cover the meals for the entire school year for our Fun Friday program. This was a huge blessing because the kids were able to learn valuable skills. They learned how to boil, cut vegetables, make specialty meals, and so many academic skills that they can take home with them. We were even able to put on a Luau themed dinner for their parents. The kids planned, organized, and cooked the meal to make the whole evening special. It was such an amazing evening!

COMANCHE COUNTY ECO DEVO. FOUND.: COMMUNITY GARDEN

The garden includes four new raised beds for a total of eleven raised beds, each 17 inches tall and 10 inches wide, along with one U-shaped raised bed. Our plan is to collaborate with local schools and daycares to offer educational opportunities about gardening and plant growth.

We will engage teachers, daycare staff, and students in hands-on learning experiences, starting seeds indoors and teaching how to care for the plants as they grow. When the plants are ready to harvest, a cart will be placed in the community for anyone to access fresh fruits and vegetables free of charge, with an option to make a voluntary donation.

Currently, we have planted potatoes, green beans, zucchini, tomatoes, radishes, onions, and cucumbers. For those considering applying for a grant like ours, we encourage you to think creatively and not hesitate to apply. Dream big! Starting small is okay because you can build on your achievements each year to reach your bigger goals.





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