



SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

2020 3rd Quarter

NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR:

September 30, 2020

Dear Community Members,

We hope each of you had a wonderful Summer and great start to your Fall Season!

As we finish the 3rd quarter of 2020, South Central Community Foundation is looking forward to selecting the 2020 Community, Teacher's, and Children's Health Grant recipients.

We are so thankful for our nearly 40 volunteers who help make this possible and give us the best insight to each county's needs.

SCCF is also thrilled to announce the completion of the new online Donor Portal, allowing fund holders access to their information anytime.

If you would like to be signed up for this new feature, please contact me at ed@sccfks.org or (620) 672.7929.

Sincerely,
Holly Rooks
SCCF Executive Director

THE FOUNDATION WELCOMES TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS: Brad Lingafelter & Derrick Ploutz

Derrick Ploutz, SCCF's new Rice County Board Member, was born and raised in Ellsworth, Kansas, graduated from Ellsworth High School and then attended Colby Community College.

He began his law enforcement career in 1999 as a detention deputy for the Thomas County Sheriff's Office in Colby, Kansas while attending Colby Community College. In 2000, Ploutz graduated from Colby Community College with an associate's degree in criminal justice. Ploutz graduated from the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center in 2001 in the 163rd Basic.

In May 2001, Ploutz moved to Sublette, KS and began his employment for the Haskell County Sheriff's Office, where he served as a road deputy, K-9 handler, SRT Operator, and SRO until becoming Undersheriff in 2012. In 2017, Ploutz moved to Sterling, KS where he presently serves as Chief of Police. Ploutz is involved with several current and past organizations including currently serving as past president for the Kansas Juvenile Officers' Association, 20th Judicial District Youth Services Advisory Board, Kansas Association of Chiefs Legislative Committee, Sterling College Emergency Planning Committee, Sterling College Criminal Justice Advisory Board, and recently completed a 4 year term serving as the law enforcement representative on the Kansas Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee.

Derrick Ploutz is married to Jessica, who is a registered dental hygienist and has two sons Nolan, 13 years, and Kevin, 12 years.

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DERRICK PLOUTZ

SCCF AT-A-GLANCE:

Assets: \$17,749,000

Current Funds: 181

Scholarships: 35

2020 Grants (As of 3rd Quarter):

Includes grants from donor's funds.

\$443,830



BRAD LINGAFELTER & FAMILY

NEW SCCF BOARD MEMBERS (*CONTINUED*)

Brad Lingafelter, SCCF's new Kiowa County Board Member, works for Jobs for America's Graduates-Kansas. He has been with the organization since it was first brought to Kansas in 2013-14. He transferred into JAG-K out of the Behavioral Team with the South Central Special Ed Co-op. Brad has worn many different hats with JAG-K as a teacher, coach, trainer and administrator.

Brad has taught at both Stafford High School and Kiowa County High School in Greensburg. For 3 ½ years he worked with kids to gain personal, relational, social and employment skills that allow them to be successful as they graduate from high school. In 2016 Brad transitioned into a Regional Director position that moved him out of the classroom, and more directly involved with 11 different school districts. Along the way his Regions have amassed the "5 of 5" award (highest award by JAG National) for 4 straight years which is the longest current streak in JAG-K. He has hired numerous Specialists that have won State Specialist of the year awards and received JAG National recognition for positive outcomes, project based learning, and national trainers.

Brad has also been tasked with leading the Trauma-Informed Care PLC with JAG-K, as well as leading a webinar series called JAG C.A.R.E.S. that was distributed to all JAG National personnel on the topics of Trauma. He was also given the task of leading the JAG-K Success Academy program to it's new point of becoming Transition Services, that works with foster care kids, and other students, that are highly mobile.

Brad has also been chosen to be a JAG National Facilitator for the National Student Leadership Academy in Washington, DC as well as a JAG National Trainer in conjunction with the National Training Academy.

For fun, Brad likes to announce games and interact with the Kiowa County community with his friend Chad. They can be found at the BradandChad Facebook page. Promoting businesses, kids and adults that make up South Central Kansas is a passion for both Brad and Chad.

Brad has been married to KC Lingafelter for 24 years and has 7 wonderful kids ranging from 23 to 4. Brad and his wife KC live in Haviland, KS and have both received grants for different projects from SCCF. He is excited to be a part of SCCF and to see the impact the organization can have in the counties represented.