



Sunflower Foundation

HEALTH CARE FOR KANSANS

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Sunflower Foundation awards more than \$430,000 to support integrating behavioral and physical health care

The Sunflower Foundation Board of Trustees has awarded a total of \$432,635 to three providers to support their efforts to integrate behavioral and physical health care delivery in Kansas.

The grants awarded are:

- COMCARE in Wichita — \$200,000
- Community Health Ministry Clinic in Wamego — \$60,000
- Labette Center for Mental Health Services in Parsons — \$172,635

The grants are part of Sunflower’s Integrated Care Initiative, which supports primary care and behavioral health safety net systems that are working to deliver health care for the whole person.

“We’ve treated mental health and physical health care separately for decades. But thanks to the work of dozens of partners like these providers, more and more Kansans are getting the benefits of integrated care,” said Billie Hall, President and CEO of the Sunflower Foundation.

“Health outcomes are improved when we treat a patient’s whole being in a single clinical setting — instead of expecting patients to coordinate their own care in a complicated network of providers,” Hall said.

Since its inception in 2012, the Integrated Care Initiative has awarded 20 grants totaling more than \$2.2 million. It also founded the Learning Collaborative, where more than 100 participants from grantee organizations and other partners have worked to learn from each other’s efforts.

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