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## SUNFLOWER FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES MENTAL HEALTH GRANTS

<u>Topeka</u>: The Board of Trustees of the Sunflower Foundation: Health Care for Kansans has approved grant awards totaling approximately \$1 million in response to the foundation's recent "Increasing Access to Mental Health Services" funding initiative. The grants were awarded to eight community mental health centers (CMHCs) located across Kansas.

The goal of this Sunflower Foundation funding program is to provide transitional financial support for new or expanded mental health care services that will address barriers to access and disparities in mental health care for the uninsured and underinsured.

The organizations awarded grants include:

- Area Mental Health Center, Garden City
- Central Kansas Mental Health Center, Salina
- Cowley County Mental Health and Counseling Center, Winfield
- Johnson County Mental Health Center, Mission
- Pawnee Mental Health Services, Inc., Manhattan
- Prairie View, Inc., Newton
- The Guidance Center, Leavenworth
- Wyandot Center for Community Behavioral Healthcare, Kansas City

The mission of the Sunflower Foundation is to serve as a catalyst for improving the health of Kansans, which it supports through a program of grants and related activities. Further details of the foundation's programs and grants are available at <u>www.sunflowerfoundation.org</u>.