

Incorporated 1999

The Glasco Community Foundation was created to help friends of Glasco work to preserve and maintain community assets.

The assets we celebrate are our built environment, our history and the people of Glasco.

Community Asset #1: The Built Environment

The Corner Store took a hit on June 27th when a windstorm caused damage to the decorative tin on the front of the building. We found most of the pieces and they were soon replaced with help from a scissor lift to place workers up 36'. We wonder if this is the first time that area gave way to the wind in the history of this 1902 building.



Wind damage from the June 27th storm.



The Biggs building, the oldest on Main Street, just received fresh paint this summer. How many times has it been painted since new in 1880?

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Community Asset #2: Our History
The Glasco High School building will be observing a milestone 2021 as it celebrates its centennial. The building was completed in 1921 and students moved in during January 1922.



Glasco will be observing its 150th year, a sesquicentennial in 2021. We hope to be able to celebrate it with programs and events, the GHS Alumni Banquet and Fun Day; all those normal things we have been missing!

Community Asset #3: Our People



And these are our people!
Recently we received 60 seats from the Brown Grand Theater and formed a bucket brigade to send them up the stairs to the second floor of the Corner Store.
These seats will be installed as we work to put the top floor back in service. We are currently working on adding a required second entrance.

The Glasco Community Foundation was created to support civic, cultural and recreational activities that promote a quality of life leading to the continued existence of the Glasco community.

*Spring and summer have come and gone. We have been open every Tuesday as usual and enjoy having the freedom to do this.

*The Farmers Market continues year-round although the produce of summer is now gone. We have bierocks and MarCon pies in the freezer along with other fresh, baked goods.

*Sunday evening Bible Study and the Free University Living Fit! exercise class have regular use of the building along with various committee and board meetings.

*The Foundation partnered with the Glasco Recreation Board and hosted a pumpkin carving and painting session last month. Well, that was fun!

*The music jam sessions still happen and they have played outside several times. What a sweet sound to hear and enjoy downtown!

*Memorial weekend was so different this year. The Corner Store was open but without the GHS Alumni Banquet and class reunions, the town didn't host the usual numbers of visitors. Fun Day was cancelled and that was another important tradition we missed.



*In July, Mike Mossman (on the left), Cecil Hoesli and Jacqueline Murphy start another jigsaw puzzle.

*The **Sharing and Caring** food pantry is well stocked and ready to help. Coming soon will be an outside **Blessing Box** Pantry for 24/7 access.

*The art students at GGS and GHS displayed their projects in the Corner Store last spring. We enjoyed seeing and sharing these projects with the public.

*The Foundation commissioned local art major and recent graduate Rayna Schmidt to design and paint a new fence mural. This replaced a fence on Main Street which has served us very well over many years but needed care.



This colorful welcome sign connects the west side of the Senior Center and Miller Machine Shop. The graphics are big, bold and beautiful and we love it!



The space next to the Corner Store is being developed into a public pavilion. Clark Coco has been the spark plug on this welcome transformation and we look forward to the rest of the project. The grain bin gazebo is shown; a stage area is on the left, decorative fencing at the street and the alley and more lighting to come.

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Through the years, we have received significant gifts in memory of friends and family who have passed. These gifts bring to mind the special relationships forged with the community.

*During the past six months we have received memorial gifts on behalf of **Bill Schrandt**, **George Olson**, **Ocie Miller**, **Francis Doering and Ila Loe**.

Celebrating their lives through the work of GCF in Glasco is an honor for the Foundation.

The GCF is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization; therefore *all contributions are tax deductible*.

Please Note Our annual membership outreach is our main means of funding. Our obligations at this time:

*to meet our 2021 budget of \$18,665.00 to maintain the Corner Store and programs there and to meet the financial obligations of utilities, insurance and taxes.

*to encourage community planning and support for historic preservation.

*to engage in historic preservation work on Main Street.

*to seek a sound fiscal basis for maintaining the Corner Store as a Rural Nutrition and Activities Center.

*to coordinate with the Glasco Community Recreation Board and the Free University for youth activities and family engagement.

*to develop Community Based Service Learning, building on the strengths of students and volunteers.

These all speak for GCF's very real role in meeting community needs in Glasco. We will continue to seek support for our efforts in the community, making wise use of the resources provided by our members. GCF is unique among Kansas Community Foundations, striving to provide direct programming to address community needs as well as supporting other community efforts.

This November 2020 newsletter begins our membership outreach for 2021.

Please continue with us in this venture.

Your membership and donations are what make this work! We can do so much together.

Message from the GCF President

"Thank Yous" are never too many. The Glasco Community Foundation wants to thank all of you for your memberships and unwavering support over the years. As I reflect on the 20 year history of the GCF, the first thought that enters my mind is the dedication of one remarkable individual . . . Joan Nothern! The GCF has Joan to thank for her leadership and for her courage to undertake the challenge of developing this community group. Even though a year has passed since Joan moved to Wisconsin, there will continue to be reminders of her numerous accomplishments for Glasco.

The Glasco Community Foundation Board strives to fulfill its mission. Our plans are optimistic. We want Glasco to be a welcoming, viable town.

Jean Schmidt

GCF Board of Directors: Patricia Coco, John Cooper, June Dwyer, Avis Henning, Dorothy Martin, Janice McClellan, Roberta Paulsen, Jean Schmidt and Charles Wilson.

We urge you to share our story and invite others to become hometown partners in 2021.



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