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### OUR MISSION

Kansas Learning Center for Health is a premier regional resource for quality health education.

Our goal is to continue Dr. Arthur E. Hertzler's humanitarian commitment in medical practice by educating the public through creating and offering programs and hands-on exhibits that provide health information.



## **2024-2025**A YEAR IN REVIEW

#### **Honoring Excellence**

Since 1987, we have annually honored an outstanding educator who has been an advocate for health education. These individuals inspire youth to take care of their bodies and minds. They are not only advocates for health education but have consistently encouraged their students to choose healthier lifestyle habits.

In 2025, we honored LaVonna Brown as our Kansas Educator of the Year. LaVonna, a school nurse with Southern Cloud School District, was selected from staff in more than 200 schools across Kansas.







#### Expanding Access to Information

Our digital footprint reached and engaged people across various online platforms, including our website, social media profiles, and email blasts, fostering a significant online community and expanding our visibility by over 220,257 views.

#### Inspiring Young Minds

Our 2025 Retro Health Adventure provided 18 children with an opportunity to immerse themselves in a variety of handson learning activities. During this cooperative event, we partnered with Kansas State and Harvey County Extension Offices to provide this 3-day, unique, and interactive experience.

#### Enhancing Professional Development

Five staff members received 152 professional development hours to enhance their skills, knowledge, and abilities to improve their performance and achieve their goals.

#### **Ensuring Educator Awareness**

Our team launched a variety of initiatives to engage educators. Almost 1,500 educators were impacted by our educational health resources at learning conferences across the state.

#### Increasing Community Engagement

Community engagement played an important role in linking us to a larger audience. Our team participated in or hosted community events and engaged with over 3,000 citizens across the state. Also, six organizations partnered with us to use our facility to host various meetings. As a result, 668 people attended events at the center.

#### Supporting the Mission

Our 1950s Sock Hop Gala at Son Wray Ranch displayed generosity and a passion for our mission. The 2024 gala hosted 234 guests and raised \$36,260.

## 2024-2025 **OUR IMPACT**

In 2025, we celebrate 60 years of history and education. We have achieved many milestones that have brought us together to support education for healthy living. During the past year, 608 people have browsed our museum and interacted with our health education exhibits. Our supporters carried forward their generosity and as a result, we educated 15,858 students, we delivered 386 programs, and we worked with 180 schools across Kansas.



# PROGRAMMATIC PILLARS

These pillars are the Kansas Learning Center for Health's core themes that guide our work. They serve as a framework for decision-making, resource allocation, and goal setting.



#### **Growing Up Essentials**

We focus on puberty, human reproduction, and sexual health.

Children Served: 11,825



#### **Body Systems Discovery**

We provide hands-on activities to educate on dental care and the respiratory, skeletal, digestive, and cardiovascular systems.

Children Served: 1,237



#### **Building Strong Connections**

We target building healthy friendships, appropriately setting boundaries, and safely navigating social media.

Children Served: 644



#### **Pathways to Prevention**

Our primary objective is to deepen the understanding of the consequences of drug use, how to make healthy choices, and how to resist peer pressure.

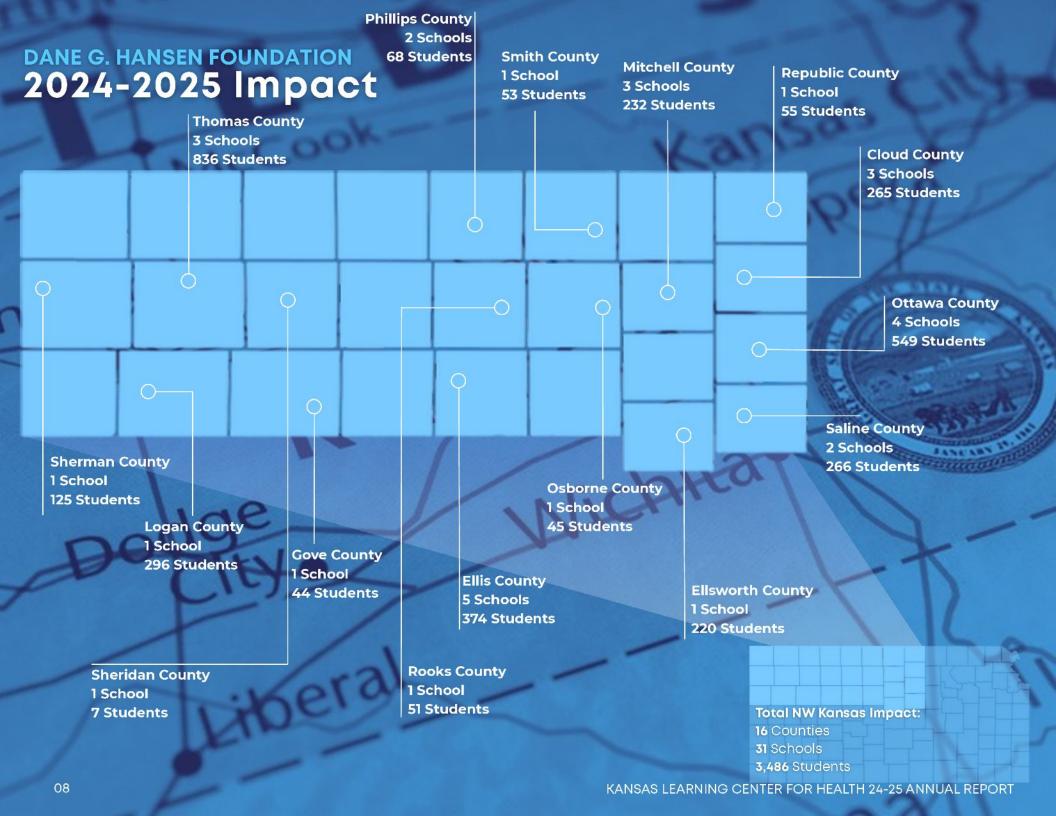
Children Served: 726



#### **Nutrition- From the Ground, Up**

We teach the benefits of healthy eating habits and how to balance food intake with physical activity.

Children Served: 1,426



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# In Honor In Memory

WE SINCERELY THANK ALL WHO HAVE BEEN HONORED OR MEMORIALIZED THROUGH THOUGHTFUL GIFTS MADE IN THEIR NAMES. WHETHER STILL WITH US OR DEPARTED, THEIR LASTING INFLUENCE INSPIRES US THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF THOSE WHO CHERISH THEM. WE ARE PRIVILEGED TO CELEBRATE THE REMARKABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THESE INDIVIDUALS, WHOSE IMPACT RESONATES IN MANY LIVES.

#### IN HONOR OF DR. & MRS. COLIN BAILEY MARTHA HOUSEHOLDER

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#### IN MEMORY OF IRENE VOLLWEIDER CHRISTINE VOLLWEIDER

#### IN MEMORY OF ERNA HENSIEK WEINRICH, CLASS OF 1940 ROBERT & GRETCHEN YOUNG

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **REVENUE**



#### **EXPENDITURES**



Total Revenue Temporarily Restricted Funds Released (Added)	743,667 (55,334)
Adjusted Total Revenue Total Operating Expenditures	688,333 635,006
Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets Unrestricted Net Assets - Beginning Unrestricted Net Assets - Ending	53,327 1,926,948 1,980,275
Changes in Restricted Net Assets Restricted Net Assets Restricted Net Assets - Beginning	55,334 94,085
Restricted Net Assets - Ending	149,419



#### WITH GRATITUDE

Looking back on this last year, we see our generous supporters and talented staff behind each moment of impact and we have a reason to celebrate. We are deeply grateful to everyone who made, and continues to make, our mission possible.

Thank you for making our work- and this impact-possible, for being by our side, and for helping us finish the year strong. We have only the highest hopes for next year.







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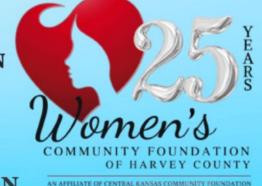








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#### 2024 - 2025

# THE STORY CONTINUES

From the outset, it has been our mission to deliver high-quality health education. Today, thanks to our incredible community of generous donors, the number of programs we provide continues to grow.

There is a clear need to continue our hard work. We know this work is far too important to give it anything less than everything we have, and we cannot do it alone.

Join us as we turn the page into a new year – with greater impact and more milestones to celebrate. Together, we can truly make a difference in a child's life!



