



What's HOPpening at Heartland Foundation

Your March Update from President, Dr. Julie Gaddie

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Hope House Adds Fourth Room

Heartland Foundation's Hope House has added a fourth room.

Hope House provides housing for chaplain students, physical therapy students, occupational therapy students and overflow for Mosaic Life Care traveling and contracted employees.

Hope House may also be used to assist Mosaic Life Care and Heartland Foundation caregivers affected by spring flooding.

In 1995, Hope House began when Heartland Regional Medical Center (HRMC) and the Heartland Regional Community Foundation established it as the first hospice residential facility in Missouri. The five-bed residence celebrated life and supported families at the time of their loved ones' deaths for the following eight years.

Hope House was built around 1900.

Since July 1, seven individuals have stayed in Hope House.

"By offering free housing to students at Hope House, Heartland Foundation is expanding the 'normal' definition of supporting education and students beyond scholarships."

-Donna Gibson, Special Projects
Coordinator, Heartland Foundation

Clardy Elementary Students Project Fit America Accomplishments

Clardy Elementary, Kansas City, MO received a Project Fit America grant in 2016 and since then, students are celebrating their accomplishments by living a healthier lifestyle.

Two students reached the Kong Elite level during the PACER (Progressive Aerobic Cadenced Endurance Run) test.

In addition, a fourth grade class had all but one students achieve at least Bronze on the 20 meter PACER test. The class average went from 36 laps in Fall 2018 to 41 laps in Spring 2019! That is above the passing score for fifth graders in Missouri, which is 24 laps.

Students at Clardy Elementary are making strides everyday and Heartland Foundation is proud to partner with Project Fit America to help them stay healthy and active.

[Learn More About Our Partnership](#)

Heartland Foundation Awards Two Jump Starter Grants

Heartland Foundation awarded two Jump Starter grants the first week of April.

Jump Starters are available to youth who are leading service-learning community projects. Congratulations Ivan and Ella at Bessie Ellison for their Hygiene Backpacks for the Homeless Project and Mrs. Dilley's sixth grade class at Edison for their Beautification Project!

We look forward to seeing the benefits of your efforts in our community and thank you for your empowering spirit of citizenship.

[Learn more about Jump Starters](#)



Pictured left to right: Ivan and Ella, Ellison Elementary Students, Jennifer Paolillo, Heartland Foundation, Devran Brower, Heartland Foundation



Pictured left to right: Mrs. Dilley's Sixth Grade Class, Edison Elementary, Jennifer Paolillo, Heartland Foundation, Devran Brower, Heartland Foundation

Registration for our 2019 STEAM camps at emPowerU in St. Joseph, Missouri, and Think Ahead Works® in King City, Missouri is now open!

Our Summer Camps are designed for students grades 3-8 to create and develop an interest in science,



emPowerU Facilitator, JoAnn Wann, works with campers in our LEGO EV3 Robotics Camp.

technology, engineering, art and mathematics. All sessions feature hands-on activities led by trained facilitators. Kids will build machines, vehicles, tools, contraptions and robots. They will also learn how to program their robots to perform a variety of maneuvers.

For more information on camp offerings and to register, please visit [here](#).

The Big Muddy Mini Maker Faire's Connection to Our 2019 Summer STEAM Camps Registration Open Now



Christina Lund Receives Missouri Western Graduate Student of the Year Award

Heartland Foundation Executive Assistant, Christina Lund, was awarded Missouri Western State University's Outstanding Master's of Applied Arts Graduate on April 18, 2019.

Lund will graduate from Missouri Western in May with a master's degree in written communication.

"It was an interesting culmination of everything that I've learned," Lund said.

Heartland Foundation is proud of all of her hard work in and out of the office. Congratulations, Christina!

Apply now for the Lowell C. Kruse *Healthy Choices. Healthy Lives.* Scholarship

The Kruse Scholarship provides financial assistance to a first-year, full-time graduate student studying in areas leading to improved quality of life for the residents of the Mosaic Life Care service region including, but not limited to, Health Care Administration, Early Childhood Development, Not-For-Profit Management, and Educational Leadership. This scholarship is funded by Mosaic Life Care and managed by Heartland Foundation. Application deadline is June 15.

[Learn More About The Scholarship](#)

SAVE THE DATE



April 25, 2019 AR St. Joseph Canvas Workshop

AR Workshop St. Joseph is hosting a Canvas Workshop at Think Ahead Works, 107 W. Vermont St., King City, Missouri. Individuals can join the DIY class and choose from one of many Canvas Projects including a canvas tote bag, canvas wall hanging or a canvas pillow cover. In the workshop, guests will have the opportunity to customize their own project with their choice of designer paints!

[Register](#)



May 29, 2019 emPowerU Open House

Please join us May 29 from 4-6 p.m. for our emPowerU Open House. Guests will be the first to see our redesigned collaboratories, virtual reality stations and will be the first to hear about our 2019 emPowerU civic engagement topics.

Heartland Foundation is a think ahead organization focused on uplifting the value of lifelong learning and community involvement.

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