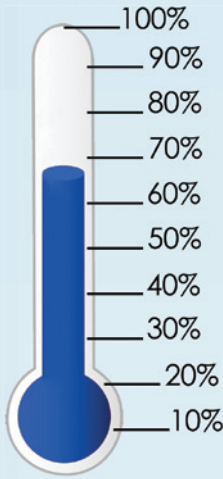


December 2013

Thanks to our donors, we're now at over \$83,000 of our \$125,000 goal. Thank you to everyone who has donated so far this year, and thank you to November donors:



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If you would like to partner with Community Partners through a financial donation, you may:

Contact Denise Zwiener at 308-865-2280 or dzwiener@bcchp.org

Donate on our website, bcchp.org, by clicking the blue "Donate" button.

Season's Greetings Community Partners Staff!

The year has flown by, and so many of great things are happening in our community. We want to reach out and thank everyone in Buffalo County for making our community the strong, gracious, and fruitful (among so many other things!)

home that it is. Whether you've volunteered your time, provided financial support, donated in-kind resources, given us words of encouragement, or helped in any way, you've helped **Build a Healthier Buffalo County.**

Thank you!



Front row (from left): Intern Morgan Kristensen, Executive Assistant Ann Huffman, CHAT/Health HUB Coordinator Jessie Perez, and Executive Director Denise Zwiener. Back row: Marketing Coordinator Holden Armstrong, Data Coordinator Ariane Aten, Community Coalition Coordinator Tana Nelsen, Safe Routes to School Coordinator Dusten Vermeire, and Youth Coordinator Mark Foradori.

PhotoVoice Reception Gives Youth Chance to Share Photos, Views

At the PhotoVoice reception on November 19, youth participants of the PhotoVoice program shared their photos with the public and had the chance to explain the meaning behind their work.

Community members were able to view each of the participants' photos and their accompanying captions, as well as talk with the participants about what their photos meant to them.

Youth Coordinator Mark Foradori said, "Exchanging ideas is what PhotoVoice is all about, and the reception gave participants a chance to share their artwork and ideas with members of the community. It was a positive experience for everyone."



A PHOTOVOICE PARTICIPANT SHARES THE MEANING OF HER PHOTOS.



YOUTH COORDINATOR MARK FORADORI SPEAKS WITH A PHOTOVOICE PARTICIPANT AT THE RECEPTION.



KEARNEY MAYOR STAN CLOUSE SHARES WHY HE SUPPORTS PHOTOVOICE AND ITS EFFORT TO GIVE YOUTH A VOICE IN OUR COMMUNITY.



A PHOTOVOICE PARTICIPANT SHARES SOME OF HIS TECHNIQUES WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS BOARD MEMBER SUE REIBER.

Helping Humanity Grant Awarded to Alzheimer's Coalition

The Community Coalition to Improve Alzheimer's/Dementia Health was one of several organizations to receive grant funding from the University of Nebraska at Kearney's general studies capstone class on philanthropy. The class had been granted \$10,000 through the Learning by Giving Foundation and created the "Helping Humanity" grant to distribute those funds to local non-profit organizations.

The coalition received \$2,000 to identify and train a community educator and deliver a minimum of three education sessions within a 12-month period in the tri-county area. Each session will be one to two hours in length, with a minimum target attendance of 25 people per session. After each session, community educators will complete assessments with each participant.

The immediate impact of the Alzheimer's/Dementia Education program will be to increase each participant's knowledge of dementia and

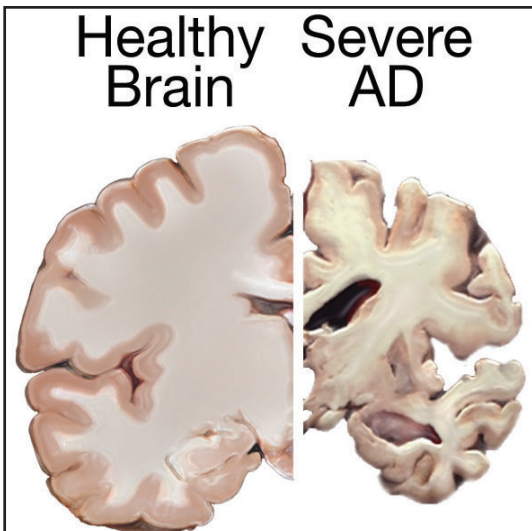
give them the ability to recognize the early warning signs of Alzheimer's disease. The long-term objective is to provide participants with the

knowledge and confidence to discuss changes in their cognitive ability with their healthcare providers and understand how to use available resources for assistance should they need them in the future.

"The Community Coalition to Improve Alzheimer's/Dementia Health is very excited to receive these funds," said coalition coordinator Alexandra Dillon. "Early diagnosis is a key area of focus for us and the education sessions and development of a community educator will move us

in a positive direction. We are grateful to the University of Nebraska at Kearney's general studies capstone class on philanthropy for selecting us."

To learn more about the Community Coalition to Improve Alzheimer's/Dementia Health and see what work they're doing, visit bcchp.org/alzheimers-coalition.



This graphic, produced by the National Institute on Aging, demonstrates the effects of Alzheimer's disease on the brain, and is one piece of information the coalition is sharing with community members.

Our Mission:

Buffalo County Community Partners is a county-wide, non-profit organization with a mission to assess, promote and strengthen the health of Buffalo County citizens. Community Partners facilitates change through the recruitment and training of volunteers and the creation of coalitions to impact priority issues that reach all corners of the county.

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Buffalo County. Donate today!

Calendar of Events

- **Activate Buffalo County** meets the second Tuesday of the month, 12:30 - 1:30 p.m., at Community Partners' offices.
For more information, contact staff@bcchp.org or visit ActivateBuffaloCounty.com.
- **Alzheimer's Coalition** meets the fourth Thursday of the month, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., at Community Partners' offices.
For more information, contact Alexandra.dillion@alz.org.
- **Buffalo County Health Ministry Network** meets the second Thursday of the month, 12 - 1 p.m., at Good Samaritan Hospital, Telehealth, Suite 1.
For more information, call 308-865-7741.
- **Community Connections** meets the first Thursday of every month, 12 - 1 p.m., at Salvation Army.
For more information, contact admin@bcchp.org or sfrias@mnca.net.
- **Community Health Access Team (CHAT)** meets the third Thursday of the month, 12 - 1 p.m., at Community Partners' offices.
For more information, contact chathub@bcchp.org.
- **Positive Pressure Coalition** meets the first Tuesday of the month, 12 - 1 p.m., at Region 3 Conference Room.
For more information, contact positivepressure@bcchp.org or visit PositivePressure.org.
- **Violence Prevention Coalition** meets the fourth Thursday of the month, 4 - 5 p.m., at Community Partners' offices.
For more information, contact admin@bcchp.org.
- **TIPS Trainings.** For more information, contact positivepressure@bcchp.org.
- **Youth Advisory Board.** For more information, visit bcyab.org or contact bcyab@bcchp.org.