



Incorporated 1999

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

Preserving our assets and building on them is the challenge tackled day in and day out by the Glasco Community Foundation. The assets we celebrate include our built environment, history and the people of Glasco.

It is a privilege to share thoughts about the people and place that mean so much to us.

Community Asset #1: The Built Environment

*The old barber shop is being updated by Nick and Sarah McDuffee for their taxidermy business.



*The new club house, shown above, for the Glasco Country Club is progressing nicely. Brian Berndt is leading the project with help from other members. Grant money and memorials dedicated to Francis Tatro and Tony Martin have funded it so far.

*The Corner Store has updated their large counter with new laminate countertops, paint and tile trim. Memorial funds from Milt Henderson paid for the improvements and we are grateful for this project. The east door has been replaced and can be opened now. Next project will be the outside basement door and repair of the stairs. We try to improve the building each year.

Community Asset #2: Our History

- * Memorial weekend and Fun Day weekend are exciting times to be in Glasco!
- *The Glasco High Class of 1974 observed their 50th in the Corner Store on alumni weekend.



Photo credit: Stephanie McAlister

*The 2024 Fun Day parade honored Francis and Sherry Tatro for their lifelong promotion and service to Glasco. Clay and Thayne represented the family in the parade and what a parade it was!



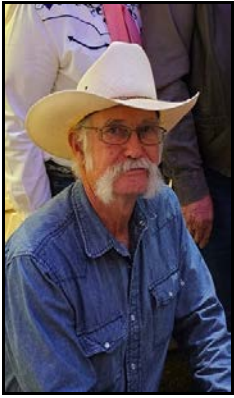
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The Corner Store hosted Fun Day Bingo and we had a full house. All donations went to the food bank. Thanks to everyone, \$274 was collected. The next morning, the combined church service added \$127 to the food bank account. We are blessed. These donations will continue to keep food available for those in need through the end of this year.

Thank you!

Community Asset #3: Our People

*The Fun Day committee is an asset, of course! It's more than just a one day celebration to this group. Our minds are always tuned to adding another event or game. Serious planning picks up in February but many details are already in place for 2025. Please consider helping with any part. Don't wait to be asked – jump right in!



Hank Letourneau held a poetry reading in the Corner Store in September. He had recently competed in the Kansas Cowboy Poetry contest and shared his poems with us.

*Don Bonneau keeps us informed on the old River Bridge situation. It is still closed as the County works on solutions and we hope there are solutions to save and repair it.



Linda Spaulding Leary of Omaha, NE donated several items to the Glasco Museum. She is shown with a Military Certificate, dated 1901, given in honor of her grandfather George Spaulding who served with the 44th Regiment in the Philippines. She also presented two 48 star US flags, a 50 star flag, a 1917 Cloud County atlas in very good condition, and several glass items from her Great-aunt Marie Gorsuch's Variety Store in Clyde. The banana split dishes with spoons, ice cream soda glasses and candy jar have been shared with the Clyde Museum. The Spaulding name is well known in Glasco's history.



Watch for a *Highway 24 Guide Book* next spring! The Hwy 24 Alliance is sponsoring the guide.

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.



This new LED sign was installed by City Hall November 4. It has revolving messages that can be viewed from either side, all in full color. Check it out and see what is happening in Glasco!

*The **Farmers Market** continues year round on Tuesdays with baked goods, bierocks, breakfast burritos, frozen pies, jams, jellies, homemade candies and seasonal produce.

*The GCF supported **Fun in the Park**, a two-week program coordinated by the Recreation Board.

***GIFTS: Glasco Inspires Free Talent Sharing**
If you have a talent to share or an idea for a class, please contact us. Let's get something going! Exercise, weekly card games and artist projects are current **Free U** programs.

*The Nicol Home put on a dandy 4th of July fireworks display. The Foundation and many others co-sponsored this celebration in Glasco.

*The Foundation, the Glasco Recreation Board and the Nicol Home sponsored free-swim Saturdays all summer at the Glasco Pool.

*The Election Day soup luncheon ended the seasonal food events which included the Rhubarb Fest and Salad Luncheon. Good food, good fellowship and good times.

*Commodities are distributed from the Corner Store's south door. Watch for flyers for date and time.

*The **Highway 24 Garage Sales** and **Bike Across Kansas** added visitors to Main Street in June.

The Glasco Community Foundation was established in June 1999 and represented a decision to work together to make a difference in Glasco. That mission continues. June Dwyer, Jean Schmidt, Dorothy Martin, Bobbie Paulsen, Janice McClellan, Charles Wilson, Patricia Coco, Mary Lynne Bonneau and John Cooper are current directors.

*A board member would welcome an invitation to visit with you about the Foundation. Estate planning that includes Glasco Community Foundation will help secure Glasco's future.



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: **Sherry Tatro, Bill and Althea Larzalere, Bill Schrandt, Phyllis Anderson and Gary Liby.** Celebrating their lives through the work of GCF in Glasco is an honor for the Foundation. A permanent record of those remembered through memorial gifts is found on the memorial boards at the Corner Store.

This November 2024 newsletter begins our membership outreach for 2025. Please continue with us in this venture. Your membership and donations are what make this work! We can do so much together.



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

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

*to meet our 2024 budget of \$22,065 to maintain the Corner Store and its programs and to meet the financial obligations of utilities, insurance, building maintenance 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, Chamber Pride, Library, Glasco Grade School and the Free University.

These all speak to 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 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.

We maintain our original vision of how best to be a community foundation. We believe the best way to serve the community is to *be* a community foundation. That is, to be as inclusive as possible, all working together.

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GLASCO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

2025 MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTION

GCF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.
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New Member _____ Renewing Member _____ Donation _____ Memorial _____

*Donations may also be given to honor someone who will be recognized as a GCF member.
Please provide the name to be recognized here:

*Memorials may be given in the name of friends and family members who have passed; their name will be added to our Memorial Board. Please provide name here:

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\$25 \$50 \$100 \$500 \$1,000 OTHER: _____

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