

# FUNDED PARTNERS

## SALINA AREA UNITED WAY

Funded Partners are 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations in our community that receive funding from Salina Area United Way through our annual fundraising Campaign. This allows multiple organizations to work together and truly be **UNITED** in our community, while donors can give to our annual Campaign and support multiple nonprofit organizations and missions in our local community at once.

### 2024-2025 FUNDED PARTNERS



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## What being Funded Partners means to those nonprofits in our community:

*Being a Funded Partner has allowed Pawnee Mental Health Services to sponsor youth to attend S.T.A.R.S. Camp, ran by Pawnee Mental Health Services for children ages 7-18 with Serious Emotional Disturbances. Children diagnosed by SED have a mental health condition that substantially disrupts their ability to function socially, academically and emotionally. S.T.A.R.S is a summer camp full of outdoor activities. The families of children who attend do not have to worry about the financial burden of paying for this camp thanks to the Salina Area United Way funding our organization receives.*

**-Diane Hinrichs-Toburen | Marketing and Development Director at Pawnee Mental Health Services**

*In the summer of 2023, an estimated 550 local residents facing food insecurity had access to local healthy product thanks to a partnership between Prairieland Market and the Salina Emergency Aid Food Bank, made possible by Funded Partner funding our agency received from Salina Area United Way. For six months, clients of the Food bank received Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) share, filled with fresh fruits and vegetables from local farmers to stay nourished.*

**-Vickee Spicer | Executive Director at Prairieland Market**

*Being a Funded Partner with the Salina Area United Way allows us to focus more on services and our programs, and not have to dedicate more time to fundraising. In 2023, the funds provided from the Salina Area United Way were utilized for education purposes through our Happy Bear and Bully Prevention education classes to all students across the communities we serve.*

**-Paul Forrester | Executive Director at CAPS**

*Being a recipient of United Way funding, over the past decades, has been extremely instrumental in the growth and sustainability of Big Brothers Big Sisters in our community. Currently, over 80 youth are on a waitlist hoping for the day they get to meet their Big Brother or Big Sister. Funded Partners provides sustainable funding for our agency, which allows Big Brothers Big Sisters of Salina mentoring programs to serve more youth, increase our agencies effectiveness and provide this hope to youth in our community.*

**-Amanda Otto | CEO at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Salina**