

Recipients of 2022 Parkston Area Foundation, Anita and Gerald Wisner Fund, Opie R. and Helen A. Benson Community Improvement Foundation, and Avera St. Benedict Foundation Grants

Grant awarded to	Amount	Awarded by	Purpose
American Legion (Unger-Fergen Post 194)	\$20,000	\$10,000 – PAF \$10,000 – PAF (Wisner)	Ongoing improvements at the Legion hall
Be-YOU-tiful Strides Running club	\$1,000	Avera	Offset costs of the club
Celebration of Freedom	\$3,000	\$1,500 – PAF \$1,500 – Benson	Support "Celebration of Freedom" event in Parkston June 30-July 4
Children's Summer Theater	\$1,500	Benson	Pay for scripts, costumes, props, t-shirts; wireless microphones
City of Dimock	TBD	PAF (Wisner)	Community Center improvements
Colleen Mette (Parkston School District)	\$2,500	PAF	Vinyl wrap mural in school cafeteria
Dry Creek Cemetery	\$2,000	Benson	Help fund chain link fence
Hutchinson County VFW Post 3298	\$1,500	Benson	Support various VFW community projects
Milltown Cemetery Association	\$1,000	Benson	Maintain and beautify the cemetery; reset headstones
Milltown Island Park	\$6,700	\$1,700 – PAF \$5,000 – Benson	Help fund lawnmower and portable bathrooms

Milltown United Brethren Church	\$300	Benson	Help maintain the National Historic Church
Papa's Park Committee	TBD	PAF Benson	Help fund sidewalk, bathroom, basketball court, tree, landscaping, etc.
Parkston Area Development Corporation	\$7,500	PAF	General economic development in Parkston and the surrounding area per discretion of the board.
Parkston Commercial Club	\$3,000	PAF (Wisner)	Purchase trees, sun shades, plants, and other items for East Park near amphitheater; possibly a projector for movie nights
Parkston Fire Department	TBD	PAF	Upgrade 10 handheld radios
Parkston PTO	\$3,000	PAF	Fund Missoula Children's Theater
Parkston Rural Ambulance District	\$3,000	Avera	Upgrade handheld radios
Parkston Scholarship Fund	\$2,000	\$1,000 – Benson \$1,000 – PAF	Fulfill year 5 of 5-year pledge
The Pond Restoration Fund	\$5,000	\$3,000 – PAF \$2,000 – Benson	Upgrade flag pole at baseball facility
Rural Office of Community Services	\$7,000	\$3,000 – PAF \$3,000 – PAF (Wisner) \$1,000 – Benson	Help with the cost of purchasing a vehicle for the day-to-day operations of public transportation in Parkston
Safe Place of Eastern South Dakota	\$2,500	\$1,000 – Avera \$1,500 – Benson	Support outreach coordinator, cover vehicle maintenance, fuel, insurance and staff time while servicing Hutchinson county
Ss. Peter and Paul Cemetery	\$5,000	\$5,000 – PAF (Wisner)	Repair headstones

Trojan Den	\$3,000	\$1,500 – PAF \$1,500 – PAF (Wisner)	Purchase lice kits, shoes, snow boots, underwear and supplies that cannot be donated
Trojan Learning Center	AED	Avera	Supply an AED for the facility

Recipients of 2022
Parkston Area Foundation Educational Assistance Grants

Grant awarded to	Amount	Awarded by	School/Area of Interest
Brielle Bruening	\$500	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	USF/Radiology Technology
Matthew Ehler	\$500	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	USD/Finance
Noah Mahoney	\$2,000	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	MTI/Wi-fi and Broadband
Cole Prunty	\$500	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	SDSU/Human biology and pre-dentistry
Lindsey Roth	\$2,000	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	DSU/Elementary Ed
Baylee Schoenfelder	\$500	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	MTI/Radiologic Technology
Chase Wickersham	\$500	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	USD/Medical Biology
Maelie Culbert	\$1,000	Lucille McCright-Leischner Scholarship Fund	Mount Marty/Elementary Ed
Sadie Lindeman	\$1,000	Lucille McCright-Leischner Scholarship Fund	DSU/elementary education
Caleb Titze	\$1,000	Lucille McCright-Leischner Scholarship Fund (VOTECH)	MTI/Accounting/Business Management