Recipients of 2020 Parkston Area Foundation, Opie R. and Helen A. Benson Community Improvement Foundation, and Avera St. Benedict Foundation Grants

Grant awarded to	Amount	Awarded by	Reason	
American Legion (Unger-Fergen Post 194)	\$20,000	\$10,000 – Benson \$10,000 – PAF	L Halo tund renovation at Legion	
Avera Bormann Manor and Avera Assisted Living Facilities	\$800	Avera	Help fund a painting event at both Bormann Manor and Assisted Living	
Avera St. Benedict Health Center	\$4,500	\$1,500 – Benson \$1,500 – PAF \$1,500 - SDCF Help fund cost of new washable scrub for Avera employees as a result of Cov 19 pandemic		
Be-YOU-tiful Strides Running club	\$700	Avera	Put toward costs of running club for 3 rd -6 th grade girls.	
Colleen Mette	\$1,000	Benson	Purchase canvases and paint for community family art night	
Colleen Mette	\$1,000	Benson	Upgrade sound system for MPR	
Higher Power Sports	\$1,000	\$500 – Avera \$500 - Benson	Help Higher Sports spread its message on Distracted Driving	
Hutchinson County VFW Post 3298	\$1,500	PAF	Support local VFW community projects	
Milltown Cemetery Association	\$1,000	Benson	Maintain and beautify cemetery; continue purchase of chain link perimeter	
Parkston Area Development Corporation	\$7,500	PAF	general economic development in Parkston and the surrounding area per discretion of the board.	
Parkston Commercial Club	\$1,750	Benson	Matching grant for amphitheater project	
Parkston Community Food Bank	\$4,500	\$1,500 – Benson \$1,500 – PAF \$1,500 - SDCF	Supplement food assistance program	
Parkston Fire Department	\$8,000	\$2,000 – Avera \$3,000 – Benson \$3,000 - PAF	Help fund manual transfer switch for new fire hall	
Parkston Haunted House Group	\$500	Benson	Help fund the purchase of reusable and onetime use props for haunted house	
Parkston Police Department	\$1,000	Avera	Purchase three new body cameras	

Parkston PTO	\$1,500	PAF	Help defray cost of Missoula Theater
Parkston Scholarship Fund	\$2,000	\$1,000 – Benson \$1,000 – PAF	Fulfill year 3 of 5-year pledge
Parkston School District	\$3,000	Benson	Help fund new soccer nets and trees for installation along the practice fields

Recipients of 2020 Parkston Area Foundation Educational Assistance Grants

Grant awarded to	Amount	Awarded by	School/Area of Interest
Nathan Boettcher	\$1,000	PAF	USD/accounting
Austin Bartelt	\$1,000	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	Mitchell Technical Institute/animal science and agronomy
Hannah Braley	\$1,000	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	SDSU/human development and family studies
Rachel Mahoney	\$1,000	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	SDSU/nursing
Bennett McIntosh	\$1,000	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	SDSU/nursing
Ellie Weidenbach	\$1,000	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	USD/accounting and pre- optometry
Inez Hohn	\$1,000	Lucille McCright- Leischner Scholarship Fund	SDSU/early childhood education
Madison Zwinger	\$1,000	Lucille McCright- Leischner Scholarship Fund	Northern State University/elementary education and special education