

Recipients of 2021 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)	Up to \$20,000 matching grant – will be awarded in 2022	PAF	ongoing improvements at the Legion hall
Be-YOU-tiful Strides Running club	\$750	Avera	offset costs of the club (sweatshirts, food, prizes, printing, marketing/advertising for 5k run in May)
Children’s Summer Theater	\$1,000	Benson	pay for scripts, costumes, props, t-shirts
City of Parkston	\$4,100	PAF	purchase four round tables for amphitheater, two of which are ADA Handicap accessible.
Colleen Mette	\$1,000	Benson	bring an artist in residency to Parkston Elementary for a week to teach traditional hoop dance, with a focus on 4th and 6th grade.
Dimock Lake Association	\$3,250	PAF (Wisner)	purchase mower and trimmer for Dimock Lake area
First Circuit CASA	\$1,000	PAF (Wisner)	assist in purchasing an updated phone system
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	\$5,000	PAF	help fund construction of handicap restrooms and camper dumping stations

Mitchell Area Safehouse	\$1,000	PAF	marketing and gas/maintenance on vehicles
Our Home	\$2,500	Avera	purchase AEDs
Parkston Area Development Corporation	\$7,500	PAF	general economic development in Parkston and the surrounding area per discretion of the board.
Parkston Band Boosters	\$4,000	PAF (Wisner)	purchase entry level instruments that can be lased at a minimal fee by elementary students who are interested in the band program
Parkston Commercial Club	\$5,000	PAF (Wisner)	help fund 2021 East Park entertainment in amphitheater
Parkston Scholarship Fund	\$2,000	\$1,000 – Benson \$1,000 – PAF	fulfill year 4 of 5-year pledge
Parkston School District	\$1,800	Benson	remainder of 2020 request (\$4,800) for purchase of soccer nets and trees.
Protestant Cemetery Association	\$2,000	PAF	replace trees; general improvements
Trojan Den	\$3,000	\$1,500 – PAF \$1,500 – PAF (Wisner)	startup costs for a community clothing/hygiene closet for anyone in need
Trojan Learning Center	\$12,700	\$2,700 - Benson \$10,000 - PAF (Wisner)	update outdoor play facilities

Recipients of 2021
Parkston Area Foundation Educational Assistance Grants

Grant awarded to	Amount	Awarded by	School/Area of Interest
Jon Akre	\$1,250	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	SDSU/journalism
Tiah Holzbauer	\$1,250	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	USD/biology
Bennett McIntosh	\$1,250	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	SDSU/nursing
Cecelia Neugebauer	\$1,250	Dean Simmons Scholarship Fund	USD/nursing
Maggie Baumgart	\$1,000	Lucille McCright- Leischner Scholarship Fund	USD/elementary education and special education
Madison Zwinger	\$1,000	Lucille McCright- Leischner Scholarship Fund	Northern State University/elementary education and special education