Children's Fund News

By Kiwanis Children's Fund District Chair Jody Melcher

Kiwanis CHILDREN'S FUND

Happy March Nebraska-Iowa Kiwanians!

Thank you so much for your continued support of the Kiwanis Children's Fund and the Possibility Project!

The Kiwanis Children's Fund Day of Giving was Feb. 26. The goal was to raise $125,000. Any donations coming in that week specified for the Day of Giving were included. Donations exceeded $155,000.

Thanks to all clubs and individuals in Nebraska-Iowa that made donations. As of Feb. 28, our clubs have donated $468,741.10. That's an increase of just over $19,000 in one month! Thank you!

Lincoln Cornhusker committed to being an IMPACT Club. We now have 12 IMPACT Clubs in our district. If you would like more information on how you club to become an IMPACT Club, please contact me and I will put you in touch with your area Champion.

The grant story I would like to share with you this month comes from Kansas. The Kiwanis Club of Russell Sunrise realized there was a need for lunch programs during the gap in the school year. They worked with several local organizations and the school district to provide lunch and grab and go snacks for children during the summer. A grant from the Children's Fund enabled them to provide over 2500 lunches to children in need during the summer. Big impact!

I'm sure many of you are impacting children in your communities in some of the same ways you read about in my grant story each month. Consider applying for a grant to help your efforts. Remember the Microgrant for clubs with 35 or less members. They are available monthly from October through July. Amounts requested can be up to $1000. Request the grant by the 1st of the month and receive word from KCF by the 15th.

Keep saving those "K" Dollars. Use them for an individual donation or challenge all of your members to save them and donate them as a club. Every dollar helps!

Thanks for reading!