Children's Fund News

By Kiwanis Children's Fund District Chair Jody Melcher

I hope all of you and your clubs are doing well. The Possibility Project continues to do well both at the International and District levels. As of Aug. 31, $12,191,921.74 has been raised. That is almost halfway to our goal of $25,000,000. Nebraska-Iowa has passed the half million mark, raising $506,233.01! Thanks to all of the clubs and individuals that helped us reach that level of giving! We are also celebrating a new IMPACT Club. Thanks to Marion Metro for committing to raising an average of $500 per member over the next five years! Your generosity is appreciated!

The grant I'd like to share with you this month comes from Wisconsin-Upper Michigan. It satisfies the Children's Fund Cause of Education and Literacy. The club of Fabulous Fon du Lac, WI received a grant to buy books and bookmarks to give children after a community reading session. The grant was based on a need for improved literacy skills in the community. Every child in attendance received a book and bookmark. Over 150 children were impacted. Great idea! A community reading session sounds fun! Think of the diversity of readers that could participate!

We are nearing the end of our Kiwanis year. I hope it has been a good one for you and your clubs. It has certainly been good for the Children's Fund and the children that have benefited from the generosity of clubs and individuals in this great district and beyond.

"K" Dollars (paper bills with a K in the serial number) are a good and easy way to make a difference. If you are already saving them for The Children's Fund, thanks and keep it up! If you haven't started, now's a good time!

Thanks for reading!