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Rural Community Impact Grant Awards to Non-Profits in Hamilton, Howard and Merrick Counties along with rural communities in Hall County

Grand Island, Neb. – The Heartland United Way is announcing the awards of \$31,550 to local nonprofit organizations. The nonprofit organizations are located and providing programs in Hamilton, Howard, Merrick counties, or in the rural communities in Hall County.

Heartland United Way's mission is to improve lives and create possibilities for people living in Hall, Hamilton, Howard, and Merrick Counties. This mission is achieved through advocacy, leadership, and support for nonprofit organizations that help individuals and families gain access to financial stability, educational and health opportunities.

Twenty-seven organizations were awarded grants. Heartland United Way will be presenting awards in your area to Palmer Childcare for its food program receiving \$1,500. Howard/Greeley County Food Pantry for food and hygiene products awarded \$1,500. St. Paul School Backpack Food program \$1,500 and St. Paul Early Childhood Foundation will be awarded \$1,200 for play materials. The Care Team \$750 for its Mental Health Mile project and the Howard County Medical Center Foundation \$800 for its Pediatric Bowel and Bladder Disorders program. Elba Public Schools \$500 to help keep students warm.

If you have questions, contact Donna Douglass at the Heartland United Way office at 308-382-2675.

**Check presentation – photo opportunities on Monday April 22 at 1:15 p.m. Palmer Childcare, 1:45 p.m. Howard/Greeley County Food Pantry, 2:00 p.m. St. Paul High School; 2:20 Howard County Medical Center and 2:45 p.m. Elba Public Schools.*

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