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MIDWEST ENERGY SUPPORTS GIVING TUESDAY

GREAT BEND, Kan. – The Golden Belt Community Foundation recently received a \$5,000 grant from the Midwest Energy Community Impact Fund to support the Giving Tuesday campaign.

"This grant will be used to increase the matching funds available to organizations that receive donations to their endowment funds at the community foundation," said Christy Tustin, Golden Belt Community Foundation Executive Director, "and hopefully this grant also will encourage more participation in Giving Tuesday."

In 2015 Midwest Energy modified the Midwest Community Fund program by establishing five \$5,000 grants, with one to be awarded annually in each existing Community Fund area. These five grants are awarded to communities or organizations working on larger projects that enhance the community as a whole with long-lived improvements. A requirement is that the applicant must match the award with funds from the community.

Golden Belt Community Foundation promotes Giving Tuesday as a day and opportunity to help build the endowment funds for nearly 50 charitable organizations in Barton, Pawnee, Rush, and Stafford counties. Endowment funds for several communities and areas of interest, such as the arts, also benefit from the day of giving. Endowments provide a source of long-term support for local organizations.

Foundation board and staff will host giving sites across the area to accept donations on November 29th with specific locations and times listed on the foundation's website: www.goldenbeltcf.org. Gift may be made online, in-person or mailed to the foundation during the month of November to qualify for Giving Tuesday at 1307 Williams St.; P.O. Box 1911; Great Bend, KS 67530. Please make checks payable to GBCF.

For questions, please call Golden Belt Community Foundation at 620-792-3000 or email gbcf@goldenbeltcf.org.

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At \$19.77 million in total assets and more than 175 funds under management, Golden Belt Community Foundation has been connecting people who care to causes that matter since 1996. Golden Belt Community Foundation exists to provide non-profit organizations in central Kansas with a permanent source of support and to serve as a vehicle for charitable giving for donors. GBCF serves the counties of Barton, Pawnee, Rush, and Stafford. For more information about Golden Belt Community Foundation, call (620) 792-3000 or visit their website at www.goldenbeltcf.org.

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