

BLUESTEM ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE and COBANK PARTNER TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE CARING COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Bluestem Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Bluestem), in Wamego and Clay Center, Kansas, has partnered with CoBank to provide \$1,000 each, for a total of \$2000 in donations to the Caring Community Foundation, based in Onaga, KS. The donations are a part of CoBank's "Sharing Success" Charitable Contribution Program for 2020. CoBank, headquartered outside of Denver, Colorado, is a cooperative bank serving agribusinesses and rural infrastructure providers such as Bluestem Electric and Farm Credit associations throughout the United States.

The "Sharing Success" program was developed by CoBank and was first launched in 2012 to celebrate the United Nations' International Year of the Cooperative, Sharing Success has matched contributions to hundreds of charitable organizations in all 50 states over the past seven years. Together, CoBank and its customers have contributed more than \$44 million to support the efforts of these organizations, the majority of which are located in rural communities.

“Community support is always our goal,” explained CCF Director Susie Kufahl, “but the Caring Community Foundation is especially grateful to have these additional funds to help our communities now during this pandemic.”

Pictured in the photo are CCF Board Chair Jay Rezac and CCF Director Susie Kufahl.