

CHICKASAW FOUNDATION

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To promote the general welfare and culture of the Chickasaw people by supporting educational, health, historical and community activities and programs.



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WELCOME

The Chickasaw Foundation is excited about the future as we strive to recover from the challenges presented by the pandemic. We have great opportunity because of our many supporters. The mission of the Foundation is to promote the general welfare and culture of the Chickasaw people by supporting educational, health, historical and community activities and programs. Ours is an extraordinary mission and would not be possible without the generosity of our donors.

Please accept a heartfelt thank you for your support and commitment to the Chickasaw Foundation. The annual report illustrates the impact that your contributions are having on many Chickasaw citizens. We are blessed with an excellent staff who take the responsible stewardship of all gifts received by the Foundation seriously.

On behalf of the Chickasaw Foundation Board of Trustees, I am happy to say that the organization is in a strong position to serve our citizens in the coming year. We are grateful to you for your continued commitment to this great mission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jay Keel". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jay Keel, Chairperson
Chickasaw Foundation

CHICKASAW FOUNDATION

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The Chickasaw Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization established in 1971. Since inception, the Chickasaw Foundation assists and supports Oklahoma communities by funding disaster relief, medical research, school food pantries, emergency services, other charitable organizations, scholarships, a fellowship and cultural opportunities.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JENNY TRETT | *Chairperson*



Ms. Jenny Trett serves as the chairperson for the Chickasaw Foundation. Ms. Trett is the executive officer of internal audit for the Chickasaw Nation. She was appointed to the position in December 2017, and oversees internal audit activities for Chickasaw Nation departments, programs and business activities. She began her career with the Chickasaw Nation in 1997 as a tribal accountant. In 2000, Ms. Trett accepted the position as director of health system finance. After serving five years in that role, she moved into the administrator position for the treasury division. Since 2012, she has served in executive officer positions for the organizational planning and support division and the tribal health division. Before her employment with the Chickasaw Nation, Ms. Trett was employed by Samson Resources Company in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Ms. Trett graduated from East Central University in 1995 with a Bachelor of Science in accounting. In 2009, she completed an MBA from Oklahoma State University. She is a certified public accountant with memberships in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants and The Institute of Internal Auditors. Ms. Trett is a member of Leadership Oklahoma Class XXII, Leadership Murray County, and has served on the Chickasaw Nation Boys and Girls Club executive board. Currently, she is a member of the Sulphur Kiwanis Club, Sulphur Public Schools Board of Education and the chairperson for the People's Electric Cooperative board of trustees.

JAY KEEL | *Vice Chairperson*



Mr. Jay Keel serves as vice chairperson for the Chickasaw Foundation. Mr. Keel is cabinet secretary of the Chickasaw Nation Department of Family Services. He was appointed director of youth services in 1993, administrator of the youth and family services division in 1995 and cabinet secretary of family services in 2013. The family services department operates family therapy and provides human services programs that contribute to the overall well-being of Chickasaw families. Mr. Keel is an ordained Baptist minister. He received a bachelor's degree in speech communication from East Central University and attended graduate school at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He serves on the board of Mercy Hospital Ada, is a member of the board of governors for the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and also serves as the Oklahoma City area representative for the National Tribal Advisory Committee on Behavioral Health. Mr. Keel has also served on various local and state boards and committees including the Ada Area Chamber of Commerce, Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs, Oklahoma's Children of Incarcerated Parents Task Force, Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy and Oklahoma's subcommittee on human services policies. For more than 35 years, he has been committed to ministry through multiple organizations including World Vision, Global Outreach and the Southeast Oklahoma Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Through the local church, he has developed a lifelong passion for leadership. He and his wife Donna have three children, Wyatt, Allison and Natalie.

LETA BURWELL | *Secretary*



Ms. Leta Burwell serves as secretary for the Chickasaw Foundation. She has worked for the Chickasaw Nation for 30 years and serves as cabinet secretary of administration. She is a member of Abba's House Worship Center and currently serves as the children's church director. Ms. Burwell has one daughter, Savannah. She enjoys spending time with family and friends, shopping, reading and serving the church in various capacities. She is honored to serve on the board and support the mission of the Chickasaw Foundation.

JERRY D. JONES | *Treasurer*



Mr. Jerry D. Jones serves as treasurer for the Chickasaw Foundation. He began working for the Chickasaw Nation in January 1996 as an internal auditor. In March 1996, he became the finance director for headquarters. In August 1998, he was asked to create a new internal audit department and became the director of quality performance. In September 2014, he was promoted to senior adviser and executive officer of audit and financial reporting.

JALINDA KELLEY | *Immediate Past Chairperson*



Ms. Jalinda Kelley serves as the immediate past chair for the Chickasaw Foundation Board of Trustees. Ms. Kelley is the cabinet secretary for the Chickasaw Nation Department of Interior Services. She oversees many internal operations for the tribe including human resources, benefits, compensation, the legal division, self-governance, Lighthorse police, emergency management and training and career development. Ms. Kelley received a bachelor's degree from East Central University and is certified as a professional of human resources. She is a member of the Society of Human Resource Management, Leadership Oklahoma Class XXIX and Simmons Bank's Ada Community Board.

JOHN FRYREAR | *Trustee*



Mr. John Fryrear serves as a trustee for the Chickasaw Foundation. He is the owner of a full service broker-dealer, Investment Securities of Oklahoma, LLC, and has been in the investment banking/securities business for more than 30 years.

MATT CHESNUT | *Trustee*



Mr. Matt Chesnut serves as a trustee for the Chickasaw Foundation. Mr. Chesnut is the under secretary of investment management and strategic finance for the Chickasaw Nation Department of Treasury. He began working for the Chickasaw Nation in 2014. He has been working in the office of corporate development since he joined the Chickasaw Nation.

Mr. Chesnut received his bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Arkansas in 2009 and an MBA from Harvard Business School in 2014 where he served as chief financial officer of the school's student administration. In addition to serving on the board of trustees for the Chickasaw Foundation, he also serves on the board of directors for the Oklahoma Humane Society, SSM Health St. Anthony Foundation and Freedom School OKC. He and his wife Chesna reside in Oklahoma City with their four dogs.

THOMAS JOHN | *Trustee*



Mr. Thomas John has served as a general member of the Chickasaw Foundation since February 2016, and now begins his second term as a trustee. Mr. John has a Bachelor of Science degree in public relations from Syracuse University. He earned a certificate in public health and a master's of public health degree, both from the University of Oklahoma, Health Sciences Center, College of Public Health.

Mr. John has worked with First American tribes his entire professional career, including positions in the areas of tribal administration, education, youth services, health systems, law enforcement, gaming and parks and recreation.

Mr. John is an enrolled member of the Seneca Nation of Indians and was raised on the Allegany Reservation of his tribe, in upstate New York. He belongs to the turtle clan and is also a member of his traditional longhouse.

DEBRA GEE | *Trustee*



Ms. Debra Gee serves as a trustee for the Chickasaw Foundation. She also serves as chief counsel for the Chickasaw Nation Office of Tribal Justice Administration. Prior to employment with the Chickasaw Nation, Ms. Gee worked at the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., where she served as deputy director of the office of tribal justice and tribal legal counsel for the violence against women office, office of justice programs.

She is a graduate of Arizona State University College of Law and Smith College where she earned a juris doctorate and Bachelor of Arts, respectively.

Ms. Gee maintains bar memberships in the tribal courts of the Chickasaw Nation, Muscogee (Creek) Nation and the state of Oklahoma.

HOLLY JOHNSON | *Trustee*



Ms. Holly Johnson serves as a trustee for the Chickasaw Foundation. Ms. Johnson is a consultant and principal/owner of Ayukpa Apelachi, LLC. In 1997, she served as controller for Chickasaw Enterprises and in 2003, she was elected to the Chickasaw Nation Legislature. In 2010, she was named administrator of the planning and organizational development division, and in 2012, she was appointed to the position of cabinet secretary of the department of treasury where she served until 2020.

Ms. Johnson received her bachelor's degree in accounting from Oklahoma State University. She is a certified public accountant, a member of the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants, an independent director for the Federal Home Loan Bank-Topeka, an advisory board member for the OSU School of Accounting and a former ethics commissioner for the state of Oklahoma. She is also a former member of the National IRS Advisory Committee of Tax Exempt and Governmental Entities representing Native American tribal governments and a past board member of the Ada City Schools Foundation, Ada Chamber of Commerce and Citizens Bank of Ada.

WAYNE SCRIBNER | *Trustee*



Mr. Wayne Scribner serves as a trustee for the Chickasaw Foundation. Mr. Scribner has been employed by the Chickasaw Nation for more than 35 years and serves as the cabinet secretary for the department of community services. The department consists of eight divisions: Chickasaw Employment Access, housing, aging, social services, youth services, education, construction and support services and project development and review. More than 100 programs and services offered by the Chickasaw Nation are administered through these divisions.

Mr. Scribner has served as executive director of the Chickasaw Housing Authority since 2004. Throughout his tenure, he has also had the privilege to serve as a board member for the Southern Plains Indian Housing Association and the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act Formula Rulemaking Committee. He is a former board member for Region 5AMERIND Risk Management Corporation. He currently serves as a member of the Arkansas Riverbed Authority board of directors and is a graduate of Leadership Oklahoma Class XXXII.

Mr. Scribner is a traditional Chickasaw bow maker and passionate about keeping the Chickasaw culture alive. He devotes his time to teaching and mentoring the art of bow making so the tradition will not be lost. Through his mentorship, apprentices have learned the creative process from the harvesting of the wood to the completion of a bow. He has been instrumental in reviving the tradition of cornstalk shooting for the Chickasaw Nation. He is an active member of the Chickasaw Cornstalk Bow Shooters Society and travels across the state to compete in cornstalk tournaments.

EDUCATION

We take great pride in helping individuals achieve their dreams of higher education and adult literacy. Our recipients have taken the first step toward achieving their goals and setting good examples for younger generations.

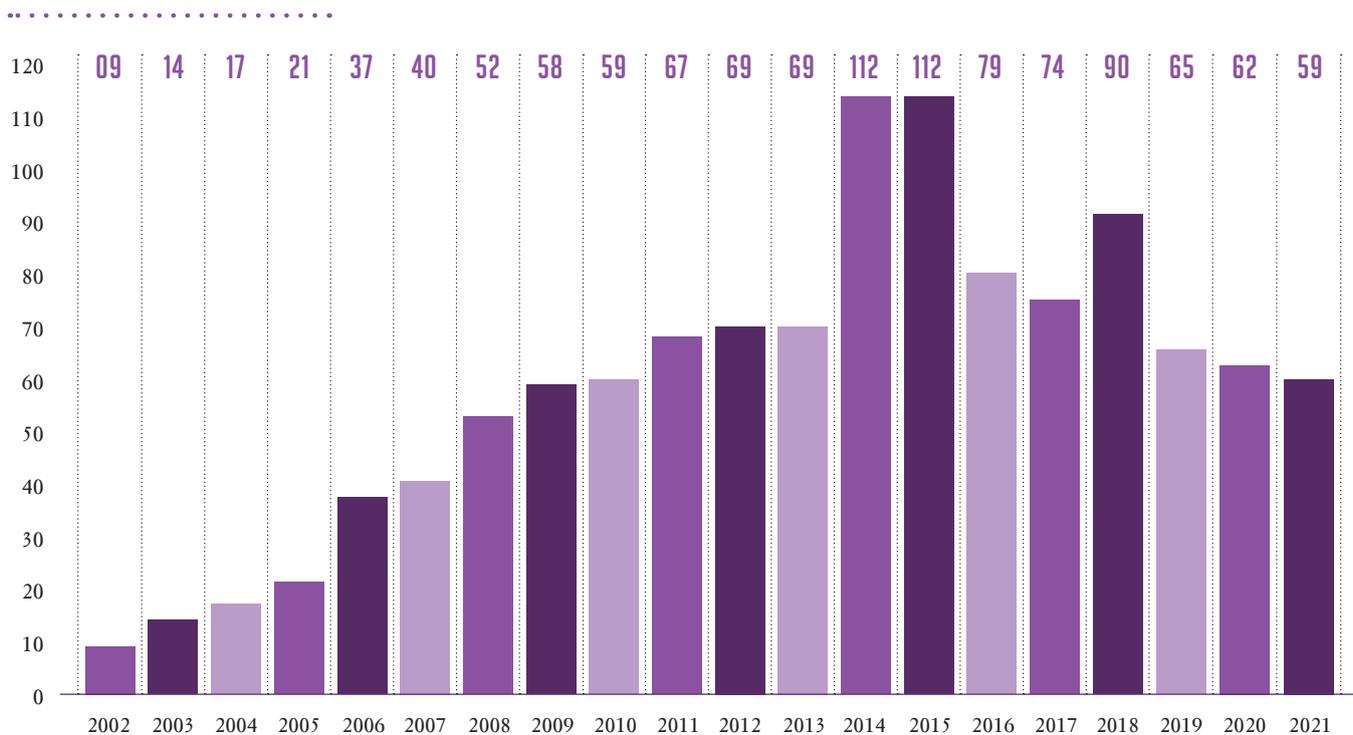
Individual donors, organizations and the Chickasaw Nation Employee Charitable Contribution Plan (ECCP) have allowed us to change lives for many years.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Chickasaw Foundation provides a variety of scholarships for students who demonstrate excellence in academics, community service, a dedication to First America and a commitment to learning.

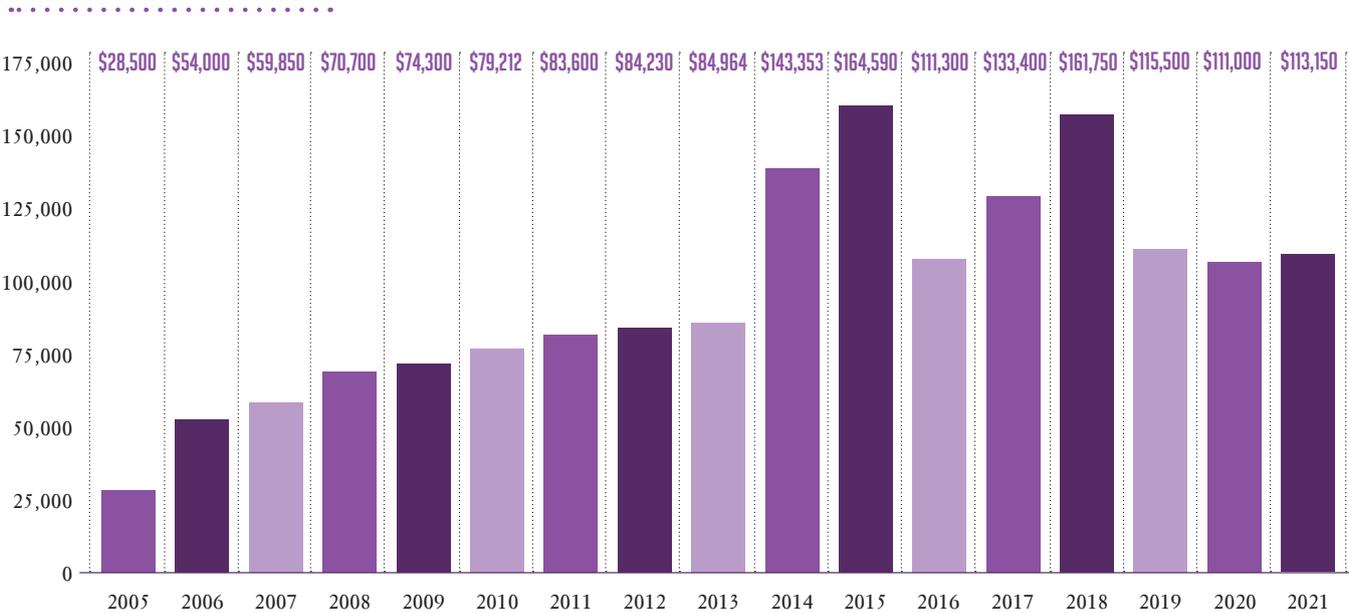
Educational assistance removes barriers and allows the student to focus on achieving their goals of a higher education.

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS AVAILABLE YEARLY



The Foundation had 59 scholarships, totaling \$113,150, available to award. There were 49 recipients and one continuing recipient. Since 2004, \$1,700,199 has been available to award for scholarships.

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNTS AVAILABLE TO AWARD



SIX NEW SCHOLARSHIPS WERE ADDED FOR THE 2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR:

Kennedy Wilson Brown Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to a full-time Chickasaw undergraduate student enrolled at an accredited two- or four-year college or university majoring in First American studies. Must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Robert Martin Cheadle Memorial Scholarship

The Robert Martin Cheadle Memorial Scholarship is available to a Chickasaw undergraduate or law student enrolled full-time at an accredited college or university pursuing a degree in law, pre-law, legal studies, paralegal or any major associated with law or a bachelor’s degree obtained with the intention of pursuing a law degree. Preference is for a nontraditional student. Must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Jared Tate Music Scholarship Piano Performance

This scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate Chickasaw student enrolled full-time at an accredited college or university; must be a music major in classical piano performance (solo or collaborative) and maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Jared Tate Scholarship Music Composition

Open to an undergraduate Chickasaw student attending an accredited college or university full-time pursuing a degree in classical music composition; must be able to demonstrate proficiency in a solo classical instrument and basic piano skills. Must maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Jamie Duane Ellis Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time Chickasaw student enrolled at an accredited two- or four-year college or university who is pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in criminal justice, police science or an equivalent major. Must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

L. Jay and Oleta Keel Memorial Scholarship

Accessible for a full-time or part-time Chickasaw undergraduate or graduate student enrolled at an accredited college or university pursuing a degree in Christian education, athletics/sports, construction management or agriculture. Must maintain a GPA of 2.75 or higher.

THANK YOU MESSAGE FROM SCHOLARSHIP DONOR

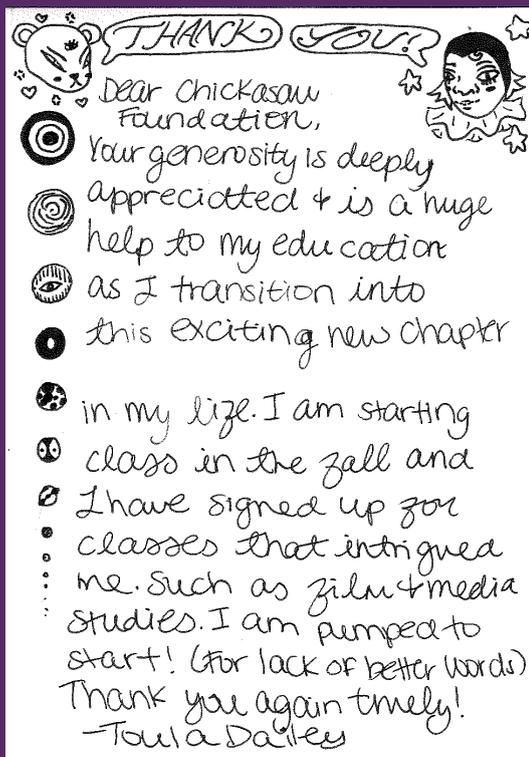
Hello,

I appreciate you for sharing with me how the Chickasaw Foundation Scholarship is being a blessing to families!

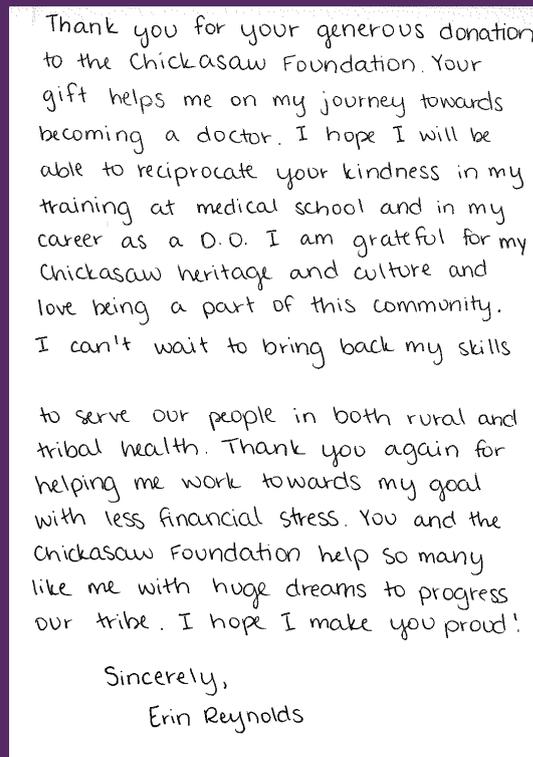
Thank you for being the best part of the Chickasaw Nation.

- Myrtle Miller

THANK YOU LETTERS FROM SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Toulia Dailey



Erin Reynolds

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS WHO GRADUATED IN FALL 2021



Katie Akerman, recipient of the Robert M. Cheadle Memorial Scholarship, graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a Master of Legal Studies in Indigenous Peoples Law.

“The Lord has bestowed a blessing upon me in receiving the Robert Martin Cheadle Memorial Scholarship. I am familiar with Mr. Cheadle in my research of the Chickasaw Nation tribal court system for my program of study at the University of Oklahoma. I have learned of his time as a tribal judge and his involvement in drafting the 1983 constitution. It is an honor to have the opportunity to represent his contribution to the sovereignty of the Chickasaw Nation through this scholarship. I took the opportunity to read Mr. Cheadle’s biography upon receipt of my congratulatory letter and I am truly touched by his choice to include the Oglala Lakota phrase, “Mitakuye Oyasin.” I hope to fill his vision of life with integrity, respect and cheerfulness. Thank you to the scholarship donors, staff, and reviewers for your time and commitment to better the lives of others, especially in my own life and career. I pray for continued success of the Foundation and for those whose lives are touched by it.”



Johanna Dill, recipient of the Donald D. and J. Wenonah Gunning Memorial Scholarship, graduated from Arizona State University with a Masters Degree in Health Informatics.

“I wanted to send my sincerest gratitude to the Chickasaw Foundation. As we all know, the scholarship application process can often be rigorous and discouraging. This year, I found a lot of scholarships slipping through my fingers, and it was reassuring to know that the tribe believed in me and supported my educational journey. Obtaining my master’s degree in health informatics wouldn’t have been possible otherwise, so thank you.”



Bethany Bench, recipient of the Lynn C. Gibson Memorial Scholarship, graduated from Cameron University with a bachelor’s in Elementary Education.

“The scholarships received by the Chickasaw Foundation are the reason I was capable of reaching my goals! I was able to further my education and get a degree in elementary education thanks to this scholarship!”



Adara Finnerty, recipient of the Chickasaw Foundation Fine Arts Scholarship, graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a bachelor’s in Recording Industry/Commercial Songwriting.

“The Chickasaw Foundation Fine Arts Scholarship supported me financially which allowed me to focus on my schoolwork, along with my creativity in songwriting and artistry. I cannot thank the Chickasaw Foundation enough for supporting students, like myself, along our higher education journey.”

MARY MINOR - NEW SCHOLARSHIP DONOR

“The scholarship that I established in memory of my husband,” Mary Minor, wife of the late Lancelot Minor III, said, “is the story of two pieces of my life coming together in one place.”

Mary’s family happened to be the owners of land previously owned by Chickasaw people. “To tell the second part of the story I must go back 200 years when an ancestor of my mother bought several acres of Chickasaw land in southwest Tennessee from an agent,” she explained. “I never think about this transaction without emotion. And since our family held onto that land for so many years, this is more astounding yet: that there was, in the year 2021, soil that had been only owned — since the 1600s, as I understand it — by two entities: the Chickasaw people and our family.”

Then the time came to sell the land last year. “I mourned the loss of connection to the people who had called that land home so long ago,” she said. “I thought with a portion [of] the sale that would come to me that I might go about doing something useful for the people from whom my ancestor had purchased the land and in doing so even strengthen the relationship.”

That is when, through her own research, she wound up on the phone with Johnna R. Walker, the chief executive officer of the Chickasaw Foundation. “As the time of the sale seemed to be nearing, I began to investigate opportunities and ended up on the phone with Johnna,” Mary said. “She mentioned the scholarships that are awarded through the Foundation; it got me thinking about having wanted to honor my husband’s memory with a law school scholarship.”

Mary knew what she wanted to do next. “... two of the desires of my heart came together in the one opportunity. I was able to honor Lance’s memory and his passion for the practice of law as well as, hopefully, benefit students of Chickasaw descent and enrich a relationship with the Chickasaw people.”

And with that, the Lancelot Minor III Memorial Law Scholarship was established.

Mary was quick to explain how much Lance enjoyed practicing law. But she was even quicker to note his love for Jesus Christ. “From the start he absolutely loved being a lawyer; he loved the great variety of people whom he was able to assist in so many different ways; he was as happy to be arguing a case to a judge or jury as he was to be honing a document so that it might accomplish exactly what the client needed in his business,” she said. “Lance was first a follower of Jesus, a natural peacemaker and a man of integrity.”

Mary has a specific goal for this new scholarship. “I would like to see how God’s Spirit might work in the hearts and lives of individuals with a shared history,” she explained. “Once our lives touched because of land and from here on they will touch because of dreams.” She also hopes it inspires future recipients. “I hope that the students who receive this scholarship find joy in serving others as Lance did in his professional life and that the Chickasaw Foundation would be doubly blessed as they give back, once established in their careers,” she said. “The decision to attend law school is a significant undertaking and I know that Lance’s memory will be honored as we come alongside students that take on that challenge.”





HEALTH

Since beginning our mission, the health and well-being of Oklahoma communities has been a top priority. We have donated to numerous local charitable organizations, as well as many nationally recognized organizations. The Chickasaw Foundation provided matching funds and secured grants for the Chickasaw Nation Empowered Living program at the Ardmore health clinic, which offers adolescents and teens specialized services and resources. The Empowered Living program identifies where families are in their readiness and supports patients and parents in adopting healthier behaviors.

The Foundation aspires to provide access to health care opportunities and enhance our communities through additional wellness initiatives.

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CITIZENS BANK OF ADA SPONSORSHIP

The Foundation received a \$100 donation to go toward a food pantry, and nutrition services needed black cinch-close backpacks to fill with food, for students to discretely place in their regular backpacks. Citizens Bank provided \$800 to complete the purchase of 501 backpacks.

Left to Right: Hillary Brookins, Blake Long, Leslie Cook, Trevor Sutton, Chuck West



CULTURE

The Chickasaw Foundation provides cultural opportunities within our communities to educate Chickasaw citizens, as well as the public, about the rich and vibrant Chickasaw culture.

INCHOKKAALAALI (I'M VISITING) MINI GRANT

Mill Creek Elementary School received an award to bring 29 students and two teachers on an educational tour of the Chickasaw Cultural Center.

MORTENSON EMPLOYEES DONATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Mortenson has a *Do Something Good Campaign*, and Marissa Banks wanted to motivate the people on-site at Hennepin to donate.

Mortenson's employees donated 238 black cinch-close backpacks, numerous school supplies and \$2,998.49. Forty-five backpacks along with a mix of school supplies were given to the Chickasaw Children's Village. The remaining backpacks were given to Latta Public Schools as their pantry bags are clear and this will help them be more discreet. The remaining school supplies were provided to the Chickasaw Nation's After School Program. The donated money was earmarked for the Inchokkaalaali program.



A LETTER FROM THE SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAM

"I wanted to take a moment on behalf of the Chickasaw Nation School-Age Program to express our gratitude for the much-needed classroom supplies that you so generously donated to our program. Serving close to (400) children each day in our after-school programs, we are always in need of much needed supplies such as backpacks, markers, crayons and folders, to name a few. I can't begin to thank you enough for thinking of us but most importantly our children. We are extremely proud of our program and the opportunities we are able to provide them each and every day. Our goal is to provide a safe, fun, nurturing environment that will allow us the best opportunity to mold, shape and guide our children to becoming caring, confident youth and future leaders.

Special thanks to the Chickasaw Foundation for supporting us to accomplish our mission! We truly appreciate your donation and thank you so much for caring the way that you do!

Keep making a difference!"

- Chris Johnson



COMMUNITY

The Chickasaw Foundation supports numerous community nutrition initiatives, many focusing on the health and well-being of local youth.

Partnering with Chickasaw Nation Nutrition Services and the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, we provided students access to quality meals by supplying food pantries, shelving, refrigeration, backpacks and carts in local schools.

By operating an active disaster relief fund, we allow individuals to contribute to relief and recovery efforts associated with disasters and crises. Funds were directed to victims of severe storms, wildfires, tornadoes and hurricanes that took place in communities in Oklahoma, Arkansas, California, Oregon, Texas and Louisiana.

BOTTLED WATER DONATIONS

The Chickasaw Foundation worked with Pepsi to secure five pallets of bottled water for residents of Tupelo, Coalgate and Clarita who were without water due to frozen/busted pipes.



SCHOOL DRIVE FOR HAND SANITIZER, TOOTHBRUSHES AND TOOTHPASTE

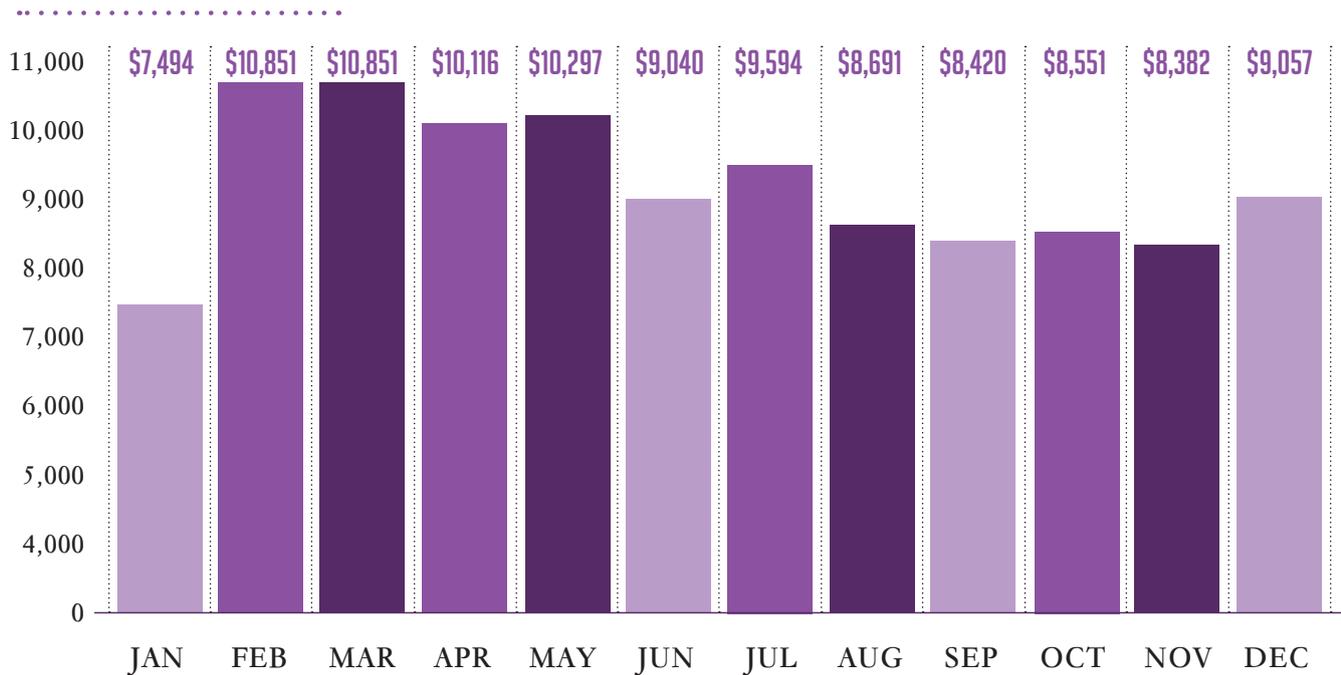
The Chickasaw Foundation secured 2,472 bottles of hand sanitizer, and the Oklahoma City Senior Site donated 631 toothbrushes and 122 tubes of toothpaste for the school drive. The Foundation worked with the JOM program to distribute the items to the following schools: Ada, Ardmore, Byng, Chickasha, Elmore City-Pernell, Latta, Mannsville, Newcastle, Tishomingo and Tuttle.

EVERI CARES

Everi Cares is an organization that creates opportunities for casino patrons to donate money to nonprofits. The Foundation received a total of \$111,343.56 from the Everi Cares Program in 2021.

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHICKASAW FOUNDATION THROUGH EVERI CARES

Total amounts for 2021



CHICKASAW FOUNDATION BENEVOLENCE FUND

The Benevolence Fund is dedicated to supporting Chickasaw Nation employees who endure hardships due to unforeseen circumstances, including medical expenses and family crises. Twenty-one applications were funded in 2021. Since inception, \$278,820.96 has been disbursed to families.

ANNUAL CHICKASAW FOUNDATION BENEVOLENCE FUND DISBURSEMENT TOTALS





EMPLOYEE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION PLAN (ECCP)

ECCP enables Chickasaw Nation employees to easily contribute to the Chickasaw Foundation. There was an increase of 107 enrollees (2,550 total participants), and revenue totaled \$214,974.77.

Area of Greatest Need

\$199,478.73

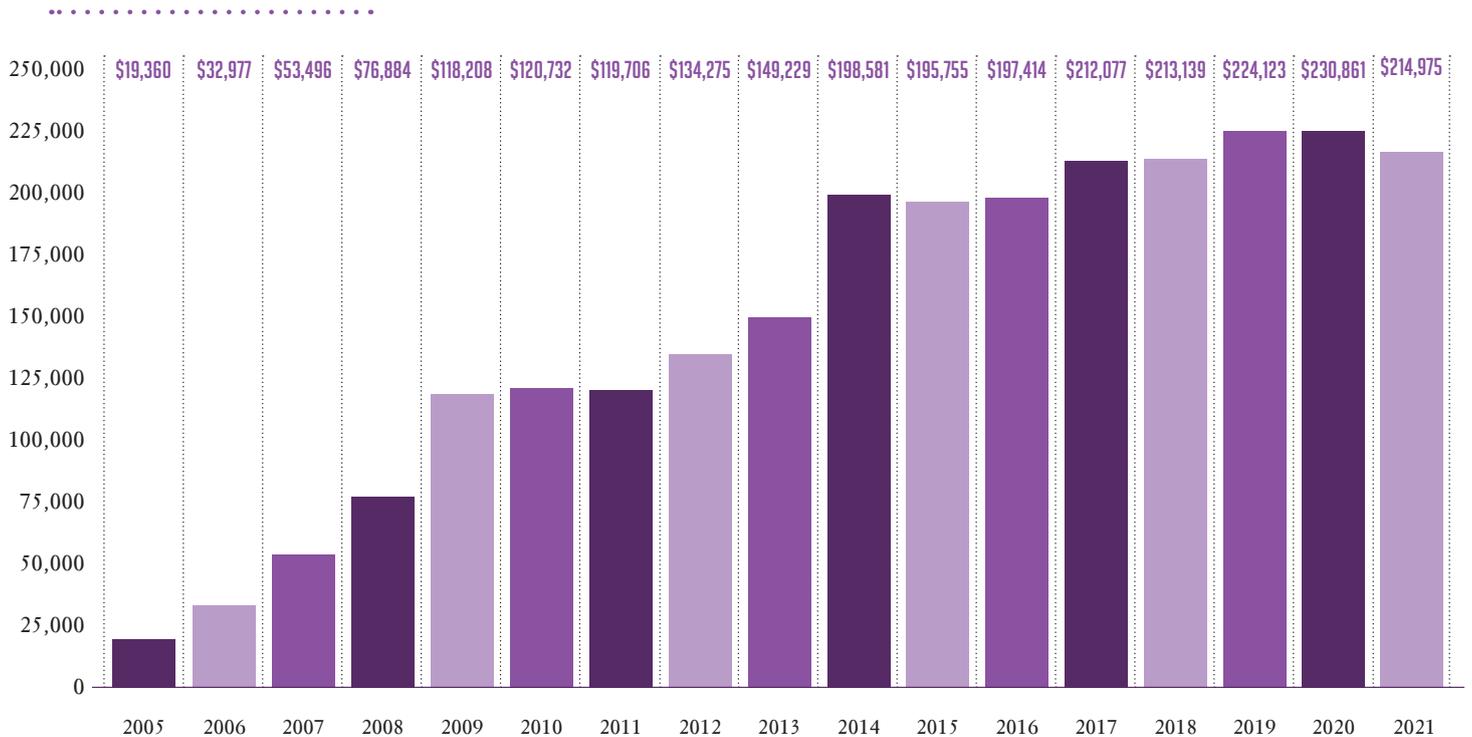
Scholarship Fund

\$12,193.04

Disaster Relief & Recovery Fund

\$3,303.00

ANNUAL CHICKASAW FOUNDATION DONATIONS RECEIVED THROUGH THE EMPLOYEE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION PLAN





*The following is from the parents of
Jamison John Pettitt:*

Bringing a child into this world is always an exciting yet frightening thing. It was that and more for Jordan and Zach Pettitt. Jordan, a registered dental hygienist, and Zach, an asset management coordinator, found out some scary news at one of their ultrasound appointments. “When I [Jordan] was 20 weeks pregnant our baby, Jamison John Pettitt, was diagnosed during an ultrasound with a heart defect called Dextro-Transposition of the Great Arteries (d-TGA),” she said. “This means his two main arteries carrying blood out of the heart (the pulmonary artery and the aorta) were switched in position.”

Unfortunately for the Pettitt family, this meant surgery. “We were informed that he would need open-heart surgery (an arterial switch operation) soon after he was born in order for him to survive ... Jamison was born on Feb. 3, 2021, at OU Children’s Hospital.”

Just moments after Jamison was born, he needed immediate care as he was already in critical condition. “When he was born, he was blue in color due to low oxygen levels, and he had to have a balloon atrial septostomy right away. This is a procedure used to improve oxygenation of the blood.”

A mere five days later Jamison had open-heart surgery. “There were many ups and downs during our stay in the cardiac ICU/NICU, but Jamison fought hard through all of the obstacles and was able to come home with us one month after he was born,” Jordan explained.

“We are so grateful for the funds we received through the Foundation program.” Receiving help through the Foundation helped reduce the stress they had through this whole process. “It alleviated many of the financial burdens we acquired during our monthlong stay and was one less thing we had to stress about. This was the hardest thing we have ever gone through in our lives and we will forever be thankful for the amazing support of our family, friends, co-workers and the Chickasaw Foundation.”



THANK YOU MESSAGE

Thank you for sharing the information from the Chickasaw Foundation! You and your staff have excelled in helping Chickasaw citizens with their needs during the disasters citizens have encountered. Congratulations on work well done!

Thank you,

- Linda

THE CHICKASAW NATION DISASTER RELIEF & RECOVERY FUND

Supporting Chickasaws who have been victims of disasters is a primary goal of the Chickasaw Nation Disaster Relief & Recovery Fund. We expended \$67,871.25, and issued 135 VISA gift cards to Chickasaw citizens, their families and Chickasaw Nation employees impacted by natural disasters such as the winter storms in Oklahoma and Texas, Tropical Storm Claudette, hurricanes Ida and Nicholas, the wildfires in California and the tornadoes in Kentucky.

The Harrison Family:

“When we were told about the relief funds,” Tara Harrison said, “we were in shock at how fast and generous the Chickasaw Foundation and the Ada Area Office got these funds to us.”

The Harrison family were among the victims of the blistery snow and ice storm in February 2021. Along with thousands of other families, their pipes froze and busted; they were also concerned about taking care of their children. “We received our funds right after our pipes froze and busted,” Tara explained, “so not to worry about fixing the pipes and getting our water back on with two children in the home was really nice.”

The funds they received were huge for them. “It was a weird time and the funds helped tremendously on a few things we really needed at the time,” she added. “We will always be grateful to the Chickasaw Foundation and the Chickasaw Nation for their generosity.”



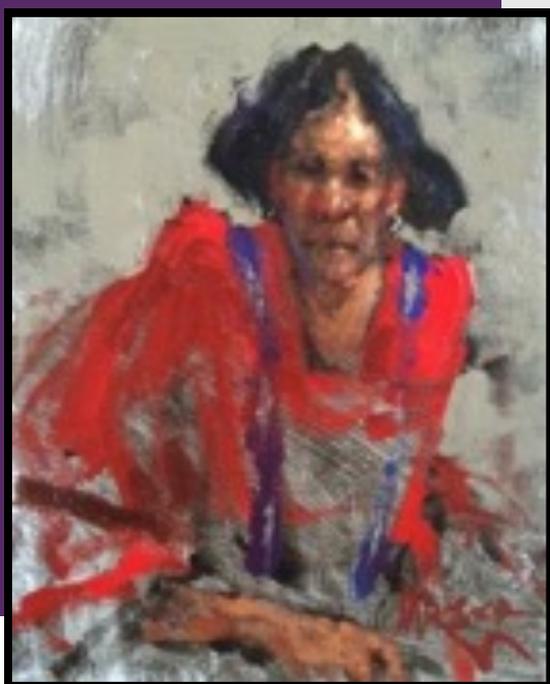
COACH HOUSTON NUTT AND MRS. DIANA NUTT

Coach Houston Nutt selected the Chickasaw Foundation for a \$10,000 donation for his participation in a charity golf tournament for the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl. The selection of the Foundation was at the request of his wife, Diana, who is a Chickasaw citizen. Coach Nutt plans to continue to donate his annual golf tournament winnings to the Foundation. He said he needs to improve his game so he can win more money to donate!



ASSOCIATION OF FUNDRAISING PROFESSIONALS (AFP) - OKLAHOMA CHAPTER NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY SPONSORSHIP

The Association of Fundraising Professionals empowers organizations and embraces the diversity of the communities it serves. They practice ethical fundraising through professional education, networking, research and advocacy. The Chickasaw Foundation provided a sponsorship for National Philanthropy Day which was hosted by the AFP - Oklahoma Chapter.



FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION VIRTUAL ART AUCTION

Nov. 12-30

The Friends of the Foundation virtual auction provided donors an opportunity to contribute artwork and other items with winning bids directly supporting the Foundation. The earned revenue provided two fine arts scholarships during the 2022-2023 academic year.



PONTOTOC ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY (PAWS) FUNDRAISERS AND TEAM BUILDING

The Foundation hosted two fundraisers for PAWS, a nonprofit animal shelter in Ada. One team building session took place to help the animals with socialization skills.



SAVE THE WINTERSMITH TRAIN

The Chickasaw Foundation donated \$5,000 to the Ada Area Chamber of Commerce’s “Save the Train” Project that helped replace a more than 60 year old train at Wintersmith Park in Ada, Oklahoma.

CONFERENCE ROOM MURAL

Danielle Fixico donated her time and skills to create art work for our conference room to make it look amazing.



FOLLOW THE CHICKASAW FOUNDATION ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Chickasaw Foundation

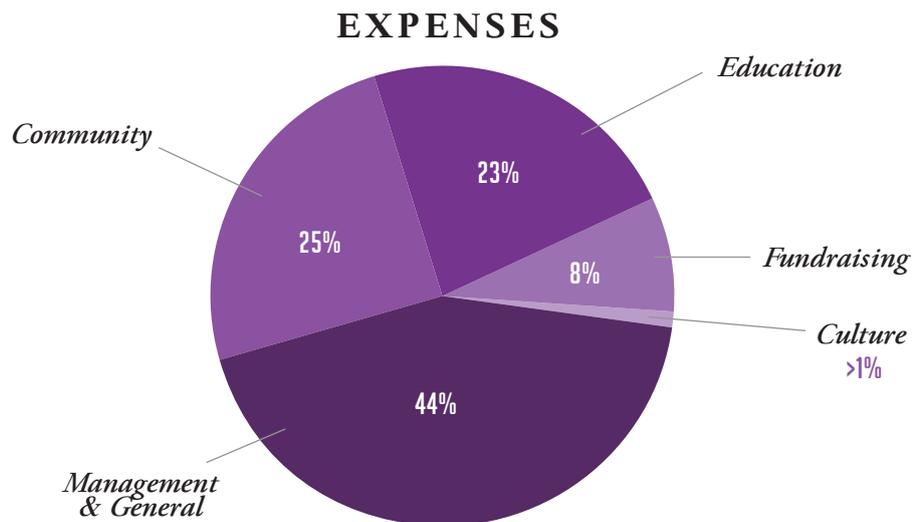
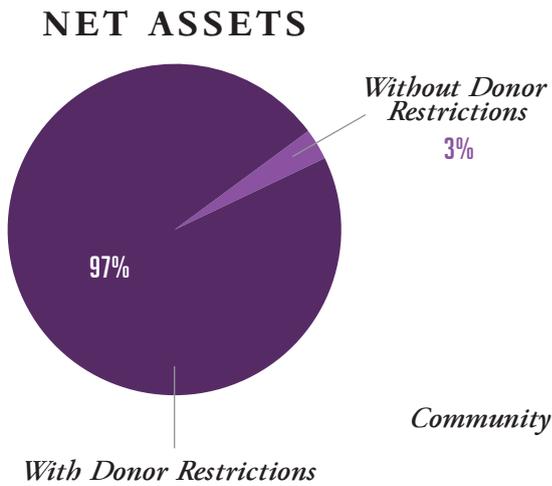
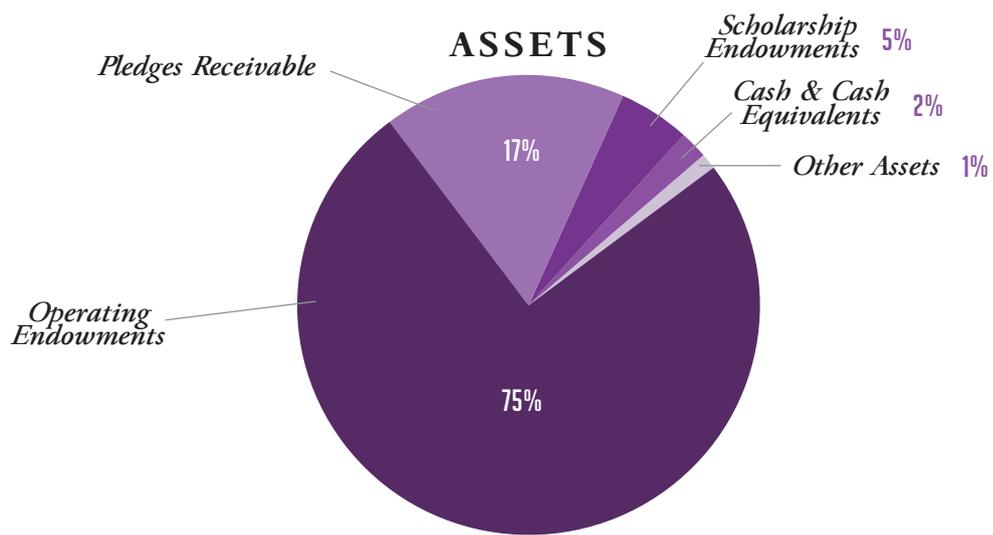


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FINANCIALS



**CHICKASAW FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

2021

ASSETS

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$540,999
Investments	
<i>Operating Endowment</i>	18,588,474
<i>Scholarship Endowment</i>	1,354,407
<i>Other Investments</i>	-
Pledges Receivable	4,200,684
Other Assets	<u>90,599</u>
 <i>Total Assets</i>	 <u>\$24,775,163</u>

LIABILITIES

52,735

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions	652,852
With Donor Restrictions	<u>24,069,576</u>
 <i>Total Net Assets</i>	 <u>\$24,722,428</u>
 <i>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</i>	 <u>\$24,775,163</u>

**CHICKASAW FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

2021

REVENUE

Contributions	\$556,845
Grants	-
Interest	471,475
Net realized and unrealized loss on investments	<u>2,123,812</u>
 <i>Total Revenue</i>	 <u>\$3,152,132</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES

Health	-
Education	164,147
Community	174,904
Culture	374
Fundraising	56,471
Management & General	<u>312,186</u>
 <i>Total Expenses</i>	 <u>\$708,082</u>

<i>Change in Net Assets</i>	\$2,444,050
<i>Net Assets, Beginning of the Year</i>	<u>\$22,278,378</u>
<i>Net Assets, End of Year</i>	<u>\$24,722,428</u>

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25 YEARS OF SERVICE



Jay B. Johnson



Billy McCurdy

20 YEARS OF SERVICE



Kirk Perry

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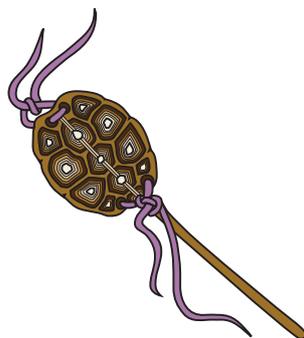
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