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RCACF distributes county-wide grants

The Russell County Area Community Foundation Board of Directors reviewed 25 grant applications and awarded 14 recipients a total of \$8,300 this year.

Grant applicants who have been awarded include: Russell High School Special

Education classroom, "It's My Life" youth conference, \$800; Russell Sunrise Kiwanis, backpacks for children, \$1,000; Russell Original Art Review, replacement of 8th Street mural, \$500; Grassroots Art Center, mosaic wandering wall workshop,

\$250; Ruppenthal Middle School, robotics education, \$750; Dream, Inc., camperships for Russell County children, \$500; Russell County Extension office, "Dining with Diabetes," \$250; Smoky Hills Public Television, literacy leadership, \$400;

Unified School District 407 music department, salary for district accompanist, \$300; USD 399, after school tutoring program in Paradise, \$750; Russell County Community Partnership, adopt-a-child for Christmas program, \$500; Natoma Heritage

Seekers, Inc., Pohlman Building restoration, \$250; Post Rock Family Services, breakeime after school program, \$1,500; and Russell Arts Council, summer youth musical theatre, \$600. The grant monies came from donors of the Fund For a Better

Russell County. Since inception, RCACF has given back more than \$25,000 to communities it serves. For information about the foundation, Russell County Area Community Foundation Executive Director Byrne Wood, at 445-3611.