



Four Years of Impact

The Back to Nature Park with Pathways funding will feature two bouldering structures, several large boulders, a walking path, tunnels, seating and shaded areas. Located across from Hickok Elementary and near the assisted living community, it's a destination for multi-generational families to enjoy activities together.

The Grant County Senior Center, Inc. was awarded a Pathways grant to establish the Flodene Hertel Central Market Square next door, aimed at increasing access to fruits and vegetables. It will include outdoor seating areas, and covered shade structures to enhance the healthy shopping experience.

With Pathways grant support, the Grant County Health Department conducted a Community Health Needs Assessment to understand the community's health. Results coming soon! This project showcases a strong community partnership.

We were also excited to partner with USD 214 to support the development of health supporting policies for the new child care center. Photos to the right show the space under construction!



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IMPACT Ulysses, Inc., works to promote healthy lifestyles and reduce risky behaviors for youth, their families and our diverse community. IMPACT Ulysses, Inc innovating to inspire, impact and invest in healthy lives to build healthier communities for tomorrow.



Initiative Wide:
In general, how would you rate the overall health of your community?

31.5%
Very healthy/Healthy

49.4%
Somewhat healthy

15.5%
Very unhealthy/Unhealthy

“ The Impact Ulysses and Pathways to a Healthy Kansas grant has helped guide decisions and find resources to create a high-quality childcare facility.
Marcia Raines, Principal, Hickok Elementary School ”

Note: Results are from a survey of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas members for whom e-mail addresses were available in communities that received Pathways funding. The survey response rate was 4.7% (N = 3,354). Blank response = 3.5%.

From Voices to Victories: The Impact of Community Engagement

The idea for the Back to Nature Park came from a group of residents who wanted something unique. It needed to be outdoor, safe, shaded and provide playground equipment that would attract a diverse audience and user. This location has all of that and more!

