

Classes of Hinton High School – Making A Difference

Project # 28 – Funding Grants in Summers County

In 2019, the founders of MAD, Jack Holt, Cotty Farley, and Jimmy Noel retired from the organization. Since 2012, they had completed 26 successful Projects to help better the citizens and community organizations in Summers County. Approximately, \$250,000 has been raised during that time period, and the funds are housed in the General Account of the Hinton Area Foundation. This account guarantees a positive interest earnings and interest-only may be retrieved from the fund, on an annual basis. This guarantees perpetuity for future funding. The HAF governing committee approached the founders of MAD and suggested that MAD might take interest from their account and fund, or partially fund Grants that had been approved by the Hinton Area Foundation. The MAD Committee of The Hinton Area Foundation met on October 18, 2021, to consider applications for projects. Committee members present were Patty Jeffries, Steve Richman, Greg Vandall, Regina Gwinn Eckle. HAF Staff in attendance were Colleen Hannah and Myra Hogan. The total amount of money available for grants this year is \$9,006.73 Below are the distributions of this perpetual fund.

- 1. THE WEDNESDAY CLUB - Purchase 28 Christmas garden flags and holders to be placed in the current flowerpots planted and maintained by the Club. Awarded \$177.00**
- 2. SUMMERS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Purchase bench for courthouse area where time capsule is situated. Awarded \$850.00**
- 3. ASCENSION EPISCOPAL CHURCH - Completed Phase I, which is demolishing the building behind the Church. They will transform property to a green space for all to enjoy. Phase II - Plant trees and install 2 benches. Awarded \$960.00**
- 4. MEMORIAL MUSEUM OF SOUTHERN WV - Replace windows which have deteriorated. Awarded \$2,700.00**
- 5. CAMPBELL, FLANNAGAN MURRELL HOUSE MUSEUM - Refurbish Historic Hill Top Cemetery and Esquire Cemetery. Help preserve these unique cemeteries where people from all walks of life are buried; from Veterans of Spanish American War, prominent Doctors and is Hinton's only black cemetery. Awarded \$2,200**
- 6. CITY OF HINTON - Funding to help with demolition and removal of condemned and dilapidated buildings in the City of Hinton. Awarded \$2119.73**
- 7. TOTAL DISBURSMENTS - 2021 MAD perpetual funding - \$9006.73**

We hope you all agree that this perpetual fund is a good idea to continue to “give back to our beloved community”. You may continue to donate to this tax-deductible fund. Go to www.hintonareafoundation.org for details. Many thanks to all who have made this possible!