

Classes of Hinton High School – Making A Difference

Project # 29 – 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 in October 2022, 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 D. Scott Jarrett. The total amount of money available for grants this year is \$9,931.00. Below are the distributions of this perpetual fund.

- 1. City of Hinton - For developing a dilapidated property into a public park. \$2,500**
- 2. Hinton's Hometown Christmas - To purchase supplies and decorations for the Christmas Festival. \$993.88**
- 3. Veterans Memorial Museum of Southern WV - To purchase and install new gutters for the property. \$2,000**
- 4. St. Patrick Catholic Church - To complete the restoration of St. Mary Cemetery by replacing damaged fencing and resetting headstones. \$2,000**
- 5. Pipestem True, WV Heritage Projects - Replace broken window panes throughout Pipestem Elementary School. \$2,438**
- 6. TOTAL DISBURSMENTS - 2022 MAD perpetual funding - \$9,931.00**

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!