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BARTON COUNTY  
**Upward Bound**



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# WHAT IS BCUB?

- Barton County Upward Bound is a federally funded, college prep program for 60 low income and first generation high school students from Great Bend, Hoisington, and Ellinwood.
- The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete high school and enroll in and graduate from college.
- Throughout the school year students meet weekly with staff, attend cultural events, participate in workshops, perform community service, visit colleges, and complete tutoring hours.
- Students in BCUB participate in a six week residential summer program at Barton simulating the college experience. At the end of the six weeks, successful students are eligible for a week-long trip out of state.
- BCUB is in its 4<sup>th</sup> year of a 5 year grant cycle.
- Recent budget increases bring year 4's budget to \$297,601 with a projected 5 year total of \$1,421,832.

# 2020-2021

## COVID CHANGES

- Canvas Course
- Video Leadership Conference
- Airbnb experiences (Italy, Mexico City, New York)
- Virtual college visits
- Literacy project with the daycare

## CURRENT EVENTS

- Small group college visits
- Community garden work days
- Book club
- Senior meetings

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CENTRAL KANSAS  
**Upward Bound**



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# ABOUT CKUB

- Created in December 2007
- Serves Ellsworth, Lyons, Chase, Central Plains – Claflin & Wilson High Schools
- 139 Students attended a post-secondary school of their choice
- 107 Students attended Barton Community College
- Our Academic Advisor Nolan is the product of Barton Community College and the Trio Programs.

# FUNDING

Year 4 of a 5 year \$1,164,231.00 grant

Estimates of Funding for the previous 12 summers:

- \$120,000 on tuition fees for our graduated seniors to take 2 classes
- \$65,000 spent on renting Cottonwood/Bluestem
- \$80,000 spent on purchasing food – Great Western Dining

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CENTRAL KANSAS

**Educational  
Opportunity  
Center**



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# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTERS

- 100% funded by U.S. Dept. Of Ed.
- Serve at least 1000 participants per year
- Provide free services to mentor students through post-secondary education processes
- Two thirds of students served must be both low income and first generation college students
- Target area includes 33 counties
- Partners: post-secondary institutions, local workforce centers, adult education centers, army education center, us, soldier for life transition assistance program, & many more

# OFFICES & STAFF

## **GRANDVIEW PLAZA:**

Ray Kruse – Director  
Mary Shane – Secretary/Data Specialist

## **GREAT BEND:**

Jamie Hatfield – Coordinator/Academic Advisor  
Patti Amerine – Secretary/Data Specialist

## **FORT RILEY:**

Kendall Meyer – Coordinator/Academic Advisor

# INITIATIVES & COVID-19 RESPONSE

- Implemented digital application
- Initiated use of zoom and similar platforms for appointments and workshops
- Developed QR code for use on business cards, brochures, fliers and other items
- Requested purchase of mobile computer labs
- Grant competition
- Expansion of target area

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**Student Support  
Services**



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# ABOUT SSS

- Student Support Services has been at Barton for over 25 years
- In 2020 we rewrote our Grant successfully and will receive \$367,531 annually for the next 5 years.
- 200 students served annually
  - Must have Academic Need **and**
  - Low – Income and 1<sup>st</sup> Generation
  - Disabled
  - Disabled & Low-Income
  - Low Income
  - First Generation

# OBJECTIVES FOR NEW FUNDING CYCLE

- **Persistence Rate:**
    - 55% of all participants served by the SSS project will persist from one academic year to the beginning of the next academic year or graduate and /or transfer from a 2 year to a 4 year institution
  - **Good Academic Standing:**
    - 73% of all enrolled participants served by SSS project will meet the performance level required to stay in good academic standing
  - **2 yr graduation rate:**
    - 33% of new participants served each year will graduate with an associate's degree or certificate within 4-yrs
- AND**
- **2 yr transfer rate:**
    - 13% of new participants served each year will transfer with an associate's degree or certificate within 4 yrs

# SERVICES PROVIDED

- Transfer Visits to 4-yr colleges in Kansas
- One-on-one tutoring
- Cultural activities – Virtual Museum tours
- Advising
- Academic Coaching
- Counseling
- Disability Services
- Workshops – have moved to Zoom
  - Financial Literacy
  - Financial Aid
  - Study skills
  - Time Management
  - Stress Management
  - Etc.
- Supplemental Grant Aid (students receiving Pell Grant) 2020/2021 will award \$30,000

# SSS STAFF

- 6 staff members
  - Project Director- 100% grant funded
  - Data Specialist/Secretary – 100% grant funded
  - Academic Advisor – 100% grant funded
  - Counselor – 50% grant funded
  - English Specialist – 50% grant funded
  - Math/Science Specialist – 75% grant funded