



The WellSky Foundation



A mission that matters

The WellSky Foundation is a nonprofit dedicated to improving quality of life for vulnerable populations by removing social barriers to lasting health and recovery. With a deep understanding of the social determinants of health, the WellSky Foundation partners with community organizations boldly addressing the top four socioeconomic factors affecting long-term wellness. Together with our community partners, the WellSky Foundation is breaking down social barriers to health and wellness to build thriving communities.

Our focus

We focus on the areas of greatest need, so that together, we can build communities that thrive.



Housing

According to the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), the 30-day inpatient hospital readmission rate among homeless patients was 50.8%.



Transportation

Approximately 3.6 million individuals every year do not receive the necessary medical care due to transportation barriers, according to *Ride Health*.



Food insecurity

According to the Food Research & Action Center (FRAC), food insecurity impacts the health of people of all ages, causing increased risk of conditions including asthma, developmental risk, depression, diabetes, congestive heart failure, and more.



Isolation

According to research in a study called, *Loneliness: Human Nature and the Need for Social Connection*, loneliness is a dire threat to public health, exceeding that of obesity and smoking. This epidemic increases the risk of an early death by 14%.

Our impact

Building thriving communities

Since 2019, the WellSky Foundation has donated more than \$1 million to 25 organizations working to remove social barriers to lasting recovery and wellness.

In our hometown of Kansas City...



American Heart Association | goredforwomen.org/en

The American Heart Association's STEM Goes Red program provides STEM-focused programs and mentorship for young women in the Kansas City area.



Uplift Organization, Inc. | uplift.org

Uplift provides meals, clothing, toiletries, sleeping bags, and more to people facing homelessness in Kansas City.



Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care | kchospice.org

Kansas City Hospice brings expert care, peace of mind, comfort, guidance, and hope to those affected by serious illness or grief.



Child Protection Center | cpckc.org

Child Protection Center leads the multidisciplinary response to the prevention, identification, and treatment of child abuse and violence in the Kansas City metro.



Joy Meadows | joymeadows.org

Joy Meadows provides Kansas City families with community support, housing, and resources so that children impacted by foster care can find stability, healing, and joy.



Phoenix Family | phoenixfamily.org

The Kansas City-based organization empowers people living in low-income housing communities with the on-site support they need to gain stability and achieve self-sufficiency.



Northland Shepherd's Center | northlandsc.org

The North Kansas City nonprofit is dedicated to improving the quality of life for older adults by helping them thrive in the community and remain in their homes.



Kansas City G.I.F.T. | kansascitygift.org

Kansas City G.I.F.T. is a nonprofit organization committed to powering economic prosperity and wealth for the African American community.



Rightfully Sewn | rightfullysewn.org

Rightfully Sewn, a KC-based nonprofit providing seamstress training for individuals, produced and distributed masks to our frontline healthcare workers during the pandemic.



Midland Care | midlandcareconnection.org

Serving older adults in Kansas by addressing their social, physical, and spiritual needs, keeping our elders at home and independent longer.



...and in communities across the U.S.



Meals on Wheels America | mealsonwheelsamerica.org

Meals on Wheels America supports more than 5,000 community-based programs across the country dedicated to addressing senior isolation and hunger.



Black Women's Health Imperative (BWHI) | bwhi.org

BWHI is dedicated to improving the health and wellness of the U.S.'s 21 million Black women and girls – physically, emotionally, and financially.



TAPS | taps.org

The national nonprofit organization providing care and resources for all those grieving the death of a military or veteran loved one.



Cradles to Crayons | cradlestocrayons.org

Cradles to Crayons is committed to providing children living in homeless or low-income situations with the resources they need to thrive.



Mobile Loaves & Fishes | mlf.org

Mobile Loaves & Fishes is a social outreach ministry working to mitigate homelessness in its hometown of Austin, Texas.



Hephzibah Children's Association | hephzibahhome.org

Hephzibah offers short- and long-term group homes for abused and neglected children; child welfare and family services; foster care and adoption program; and award-winning day care for families of all income levels.



Mercy Medical Angels | mercymedical.org

Removing the transportation barrier to medical care with gas cards, bus and train tickets, and flights flown by volunteer pilots and commercial airlines.