

Brick Street Financial Group Newsletter

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UPCOMING WORKSHOP:

Transferring Property Across Generations

Farms, cabins and other properties can hold special meaning to families. But transferring them to the next generation can be tricky. Attend the complimentary Thrivent workshop, Transferring Property Across Generations, and learn how to create a transition strategy that's equitable to you and your heirs. Reserve a spot for you and a guest today.

Monday, February 23 at 6 p.m.

Kansas Territory Brewing Company
1827 Wilson Dr., Washington, Kansas

Tuesday, March 3, 6 p.m.

The Korner Bistro & Diner
814 Broadway St., Marysville, Kansas

These sessions are hosted by Lydia Ann Cox, FIC, CLTC, BFA and co-hosted by Financial Advisor Sean Bruna.

To register, call Office Professional Kaitlynn Wenzl at 785-370-6200, or email kaitlynn.wenzl@thrivent.com.

Understanding Thrivent Choice[®] and Thrivent Choice Dollars[®]

Empowering generosity in our community

Thrivent Choice is a unique charitable grant program that gives clients with membership the ability to support the organizations and causes they care about. Since its launch 15 years ago, the program has distributed more than \$660 million to more than 50,000 nonprofits nationwide, including churches, schools and local service organizations.

How it works

Each year, eligible clients help choose where Thrivent donates a portion of its charitable funding by directing Choice Dollars to any enrolled 501(c)(3) nonprofit or church.

Local organizations your neighbors support

Here are a few organizations our members have directed Choice Dollars to:

- Parochial schools (Linn, Marysville and Hanover), reflecting strong community support for faith-based education close to home.
- Churches and nonprofits across Washington County, helping to strengthen programs and services our rural communities rely on.
- State and national organizations like St. Jude's Research Hospital in Tennessee, which has become a popular choice due to local kids receiving treatment there. KS Honor Flight based in Hutchinson, which honors local veterans, is also a frequent Choice Dollars recipient.

A single Choice Dollars direction may seem small, but collectively it can help fuel missions, outreach and community programs throughout our region.

Direct 2025 Choice Dollars by March 31

Hurry to direct any available 2025 Choice Dollars by March 31, 2026. It only takes a few minutes to impact an organization close to your heart.

How to direct Choice Dollars

Log in to your account at thrivent.com/choice or contact our office for assistance. Search for eligible organizations by name, city, state or ZIP code using Thrivent's [online catalog](#). Let us know how we can help!



Hilda and Lydia at Linn Lutheran Preschool Graduation at St. John's



Live nativity volunteers at Trinity Lutheran



Hilda, Lydia, Lorena, Dietrich and Ida at the Lutheran Schools Track Meet

Make a difference from home with a Thrivent Cause Kit™

Thrivent Cause Kits include everything you need to complete a meaningful project from the comfort of home. Each pre-packed kit takes only about an hour and includes materials, instructions and even a pre-paid return label. Thrivent clients with membership can request one kit per year.

Choose from two impactful projects

- **Water Filter Build**—Assemble water filters that provide **clean water to 12 people for 10 years**, created in partnership with Wine To Water.
- **Solar Light Build**—Build solar lights that offer **7,300 hours of study time** for kids living in energy poverty, in partnership with SolarBuddy.

Why it matters

Thrivent Cause Kits support Thrivent’s mission of generosity by removing barriers to volunteering, making serving others simple, flexible and family friendly. These small acts have a big, global impact. They’re also easy to do with kids or grandchildren, so get the family involved and have fun!

Get started

Log in to thrivent.com and find “Thrivent Cause Kits” under “Generosity” in the menu. Choose your kit, assemble it at home and return it using the prepaid label.



Lynn Stohs assembling Thrivent Cause Kit—Solar Buddy

Classrooms to Careers

Brick Street Financial Group is proud to be the Classrooms to Careers sponsor for one of the Washington County 6th grade classes. Each fall, we visit their classroom to share about Thrivent, personal finance and the importance of generosity. Then, in the spring, the students visit us here at the office in our conference room.

As we prepare for their upcoming visit, we would love your help! If you could share one piece of wisdom with a 6th grader, what would it be?

This could be about money, kindness, habits, school, friendships, anything you wish you had known at that age. We'll collect your responses to create something special for the students during their spring visit.



Kaitie and Lydia at USD 108 for a classroom to careers visit

Informed and Confident

Throughout 2025, Lydia hosted educational workshops in our office and shared her expertise at the Washington Chamber of Commerce's speaker series. These sessions created meaningful opportunities to connect with our community, both the clients we see regularly and new faces. Whether through online webinars or in-person gatherings, engaging with others and helping them feel more confident in their decisions was a highlight of the year.

Empowering clients with clear information and guidance remains central to everything we do. We believe knowledge builds confidence, and confidence helps clients take purposeful, intentional steps toward their goals. That's why our office is committed to continuing this mission in 2026 with even more educational opportunities. You can expect a combination of workshops and community presentations. Whether you prefer attending in person, logging in from home, or reviewing materials at your own pace, we will be ready to support you.

In addition to group learning events, annual reviews play a crucial role in keeping your financial plan aligned with your ever-changing life. These one on one conversations with Lydia help ensure that your goals and financial situation are reflected in your strategy moving forward. Attending both a workshop and an annual review this year is a great way to stay informed, stay confident and stay on track.

We look forward to seeing you and serving you this year at events, in reviews and around the community.



Chamber Speaker Series presenters: Carrie Heitman, Kelsey Winter, Renee Langvardt, Addy Meyer and Lydia Cox

Your referrals are the highest compliment!

Do you have friends or family who could benefit from our services? Tell them to give us a call! We'd be happy to meet with them to learn about their needs and explore how we could help.

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Thrivent provides advice and guidance through its Financial Planning Framework that generally includes a review and analysis of a client's financial situation. A client may choose to further their planning engagement with Thrivent through its Dedicated Planning Services (an investment advisory service) that results in written recommendations for a fee.

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