

The Foundation & Our Mission

The Kays Foundation is recognized by the United States Internal Revenue Service as a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization.

The Kays Foundation's sole purpose is to support Arkansas State University. Today it does this by providing grants to support faculty, staff, departments and colleges, or other entities to help further the teaching, research and service goals and purposes of Arkansas State University.

Our History

The Kays Foundation, formerly known as the Arkansas State College Foundation for the Advancement of Higher Education, has been a long time supporter of Arkansas State University. The Foundation was established in 1911, just two years after the institution was founded through the vision and leadership of Mr. V. C. Kays the first President of ASU and a group of visionary and dedicated citizens who committed to use their time, means, and assets to assist the school.



V. C. Kays
Served from 1910-1943

Kays Foundation

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Supporting Arkansas State since 1911

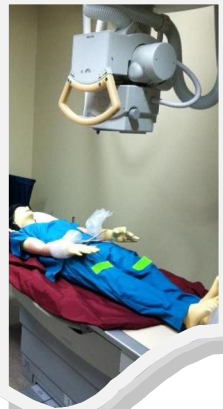
**The past is important,
for it furnishes the
foundation
for the present and
future...**



Grants & Funding

The Kays Foundation makes grants and funding available to Arkansas State University to enhance efforts to achieve the teaching, research, and service goals and purposes of the University.

Areas we have funded



ASU Alumni Association

ASU College of Nursing & Health Professions

ASU College of Fine Arts

ASU Computer Science Dept.

ASU Department of Biological Sciences

ASU College of Communication

ASU Graduate Student Recruiting Fund

ASU Music Department

ASU Museum

Seismic Project

University Police Dept.



How to Apply for grants:

Submit an application form along with any required supporting documentation to the Foundation by 4:00 p.m. Jonesboro time on the announced date of closing. No incomplete or late submissions or submissions sent by facsimile will be accepted.

The applicant should consult with the Office of University Advancement (870) 972-2060 of the University which will be expected to approve application for submission to the Kays Foundation.

When:

The completed materials must be received in the Kays Foundation offices by the deadline on the form.

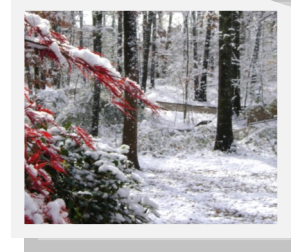
Applications and additional information may be obtained from the Foundation offices located at 1212 University Loop East on campus. Requested by phone by calling (870) 931-7898, or by going to our website at www.kaysfoundation.com

Award:

Each grant recipient will be notified and announced in January. The award recipient will be responsible for preparing a final report on all projects funded at the conclusion of the project or no later than September 1.

The Pleasance

It was a dream of V. H. "Buddy" Kays to provide a "Pleasance" somewhere on Foundation property. Such a place has been created on the grounds of the Kays Foundation office building at East University Loop and A Street. The Pleasance provides the visitor with an opportunity to stroll through a beautiful wooded area in the heart of the ASU campus, rest for a while, and view the numerous markers which recall the men and women, events and milestones that are so much of the history of Arkansas State University. The Pleasance is available to the University community and campus visitors when Foundation offices are open. Visitors must check in at the office before utilizing the Pleasance.



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