



2004 Report to the Community

Achieving Philanthropic Dreams...

Vision

We help people achieve philanthropic dreams.

Mission

We build a better community by promoting philanthropy through creative donor services.

We do this by...

- ... building relationships
- ... excelling at donor services
- ... providing leadership on critical community issues
- ... connecting ideas and resources

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A letter to our donors

It is difficult to imagine a more meaningful objective than to help people fulfill their dreams, especially when those dreams involve building a better community. Increasingly, the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado is the resource individuals, families and businesses turn to when they need a partner to help facilitate their philanthropic goals. And area nonprofits are also learning that the Community Foundation can be a valuable partner as they attempt to get off the fundraising treadmill and move toward long-term funding sources.

This past year, the Community Foundation made great strides toward becoming an even more effective resource. The successful completion of our Cornerstone Campaign (see page 26) resulted in lower fees and higher levels of service to our donors. As a result, many new funds are being created, and gifts to the foundation have reached record levels.



Mike Dellenbach
Chair, Board of Trustees



Ray Caraway
Executive Director

Each year, Community Foundation grants (mostly donor-advised grants) are having a more significant impact in our community. Recently our Board of Trustees and Local Advisory Boards have become more involved in community initiatives and cooperative efforts.

Northern Colorado is an easy place to love. It is a community that inspires great dreams. Thank you for sharing your dreams and for allowing us to play a role in seeing them fulfilled.

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Ray Caraway (lft) and Mike Dellenbach (rt)

Executive Summary (Fiscal year 2003-2004)

Total Assets	Total Gifts	Total Grants	Number of Individual Funds
\$19,257,152	\$3,587,598	\$1,021,004	189

...building relationships

Colorado Eagles Foundation

Representatives of the Colorado Eagles hockey team have put together a foundation to help make sure youth in the area have an opportunity to participate in sports, regardless of their own economic situations.

The fund, established with the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, was created by owner Ralph Backstrom to give something back to a community which has sold out the first two Eagles seasons.

Ralph's wife, Janet, serves on a board of women who make up the Colorado Eagles Foundation board of directors. She said through different events the foundation had raised and spent funds in conjunction with the United Way of Larimer County.

The board wanted to create a fund that would give back to the community through youth organizations, whether it be the Boys and Girls Club or different individual and team sports -- and not just hockey.

Backstrom said she and the board realized that while some athletes would be interested in hockey, they didn't want to limit it to that, saying there are valuable lessons learned by participating in any form of athletics.

"We wanted to direct money to help children play sports and have fun who might not otherwise have an opportunity to participate," Janet said. "It just really warms our hearts to see them get a chance to have fun."

And that's where the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado came in.

"It's very expensive to run, maintain and manage a foundation," Janet said. "The Community Foundation gives us an opportunity to focus on raising funds and, for a minimal cost, they manage our fund."

Initially, the board distributing the funds went the extra mile to show support for the family of one of the Eagles players. When player Brent Thompson's wife, Kim, lost her sister, the Christine Ostwinkle Lupus Foundation was set up in her name. The Colorado Eagles Foundation raised money and quietly donated it to a memorial fund to honor Kim's sister. The donation was used to support a woman in Northern Colorado who was suffering from lupus.

Now, while the foundation board will continue funding United Way programs, it will also give back to the youth of the area by making sure no child will be left on the sidelines because of family economic constraints. And with the help of the Community Foundation, the Eagles Foundation board can do what it does best, raise money.

Right: Colorado Eagles owner, Ralph Backstrom, and Eagles players pictured with Namaqua Center youth.

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—Janet Backstrom



...excelling at donor services

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—Alesa Locklear

Bluebonnet Fund

After building and selling a software company which focused on accounting for non-profit organizations, Bill and Alesa Locklear decided to put part of the profits from the sale of their company into the kind of organizations that used their company's services.

Their company, MIP, provided accounting software for about 5,000 customers.

When they sold MIP in 2001, they set up a fund through a national investment group in Austin, Texas where they lived. But with the sale of the company also came the ability to live anywhere they chose.

Alesa researched the best places in America to live and announced to Bill that they were moving to Fort Collins.

The couple began getting to know non-profits in the area and decided to shift most of their philanthropic dollars to their new community. But they wanted to do that through an organization that they felt genuinely cared about the community.

"We got a feeling from meeting with the Community Foundation that they wanted to step up and make a difference in the community," Bill said.

The Locklears determined that the best way to become active in their new community was not only to get involved in local organizations, but to also shift their funds into a Community Foundation donor-advised fund

they created called the Bluebonnet Fund. The fund supports established nonprofit organizations that efficiently and effectively assist people who help themselves while nurturing their self-reliance and preserving their self-respect.

"Philanthropy is about giving according to your values," Alesa said.

For the Locklears, those values include providing a helping hand to single mothers, youth and generally for those who need a means to live safely in society. And they realize that some people just need a link between hard times and a better life.

"I like to think my emphasis is helping someone have the opportunity to help themselves," Alesa said. "I'd rather catch them early to help them become productive members of our society."

The Locklears have already contributed to many organizations, some of which include Crossroads Safehouse, The Women's Center, Project Self-Sufficiency, Alternatives to Violence, The Food Bank, the Namaqua Center and La Familia.

In addition to providing financial resources to organizations they support, they also are volunteers and enjoy helping nonprofits benefit from the Locklears' personal business experience and success. In that way, they feel they are truly giving back to the new community they now call home.

Right: Donors, Alesa and Bill Locklear, pictured here with Crossroads Safehouse clients.



...providing leadership on critical community issues

Big Thompson Canyon Fund

Larimer County's most devastating news event in the last century has led to the establishment of a Community Foundation of Northern Colorado fund to encourage the continuation of efforts initiated by a club established in 1937.

The Big Thompson Flood of 1976 became an international news story when 144 people were killed as homes, bridges and roadways were swept downriver in one of the most horrific events in the county's history.

What began as the Drake Home Demonstration Club morphed over the years into simply The Drake Club, a women's social group. Through the years it was an advocate for a better life in the Big Thompson Canyon for both residents and tourists. The club published history books of life in the canyon, including *The History of the Big Thompson Canyon* (1940), and in 1996, 20 years after flood, it published *Reflection of the Hearts*, focusing on what people experienced during the flood. Five years later, as the original version of *Reflections* was nearly sold out, the club paid to have a new, updated version published. The new book, entitled *Reflection on the River*, contains many more pages and more first-hand accounts. The club donated a copy of the new book to every public library and school library in Larimer County and neighboring parts of Boulder and Weld counties.

At the completion of that project, the club decided to disband and contribute the funds left in its account to an endowment fund that will continue to be used to grant money for the betterment of the canyon.

Sharlynn Wamsley, who compiled *Reflection on the River* for the Drake Club, established the fund with the intention of directing funds to:

- collect history of the canyon prior to 1975;
- preserve historical sites and structures and to promote their existence;
- support recreation and vacation initiatives in the canyons;
- support education and studies of the ecology that affects the canyon;
- and to secure resource to enhance the natural health and beauty of the canyon.

The geographic area to benefit from the fund runs from the eastern edge of Estes Park to the Devil's Backbone west of Loveland.

Wamsley decided to use the Community Foundation to manage the fund because she wanted "a safe place for the fund to grow and a place where people could continue to donate."

Wamsley said additional monies for the fund will be generated through the sales of both the reproduction of *History of the Big Thompson Canyon*, the remaining editions of *Reflection on the River* and private donations.

Right: Remaining editions of *Reflection on the River* pictured here will continue to grow the fund.

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—Sharlynn Wamsley



Reflection on the River

Reflection ON THE River

*The Big Thompson
Canyon Flood*

*Compiled by Sharlynn Wamsley
For the Drake Club and the People of the Canyon*

...connecting ideas and resources

Inspiration Playground

A new Community Foundation of Northern Colorado fund has been set aside to help build a Fort Collins City Park that will allow handicapped and disabled children access to a playground where they will be able to play alongside family members and friends.

The playground idea was born when Fort Collins Mayor Ray Martinez watched a videotape of a California organization committed to creating universally accessible playgrounds.

He immediately got on the phone to Brownie McGraw and asked her to watch the video.

After Brownie heard a plea from a child who said he had never been able to play on the playground with his brothers and sisters, it tightened her heartstrings and she jumped at the chance to become chairwoman of the committee to build the park.

The Inspiration Playground fund was created to pool money to build it. The late Bill Neal had donated \$10,000 toward the program, and the city decided to partner with the Community Foundation to build the park. The city will donate the land, handicapped rest room facilities and a parking lot in Spring Canyon Community Park on the west end of Horsetooth Road.

A California-based nonprofit design group has been retained to create a unique playground for all of Fort Collins' children.

The Community Foundation fund will collect and manage the money raised for the equipment as well as its installation.

One of the problems with most playgrounds is they are designed with sand to protect children who fall or are thrown from equipment. While the sand may serve to soften the blow, it also makes it virtually impossible for those in wheel chairs and on crutches to move around, much less use the equipment. The surface of the Shane's Inspirational Playground will be a poured rubberized component that will make it easier to get around on, and accessible to anyone.

Once at the playground, children will find the equipment specially designed to accommodate wheel chairs and other adaptive equipment.

Brownie said the Community Foundation came to mind because the project needed an appropriate vehicle to receive tax-deductible donations for a project that would eventually be completed.

"The foundation has been great to work with because they have been able to identify other sources of funding for this project," McGraw said. The Community Foundation also made a \$15,000 grant to the project from its Community Needs Grant Program in 2003.

Plans are to complete the project by 2006, depending on when the funding has been secured.

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—Brownie McGraw

Right: Fort Collins youth, Josh Akmakjian, and his mother, Sylvia, present IP committee members his personal contribution to the project.



Coming soon...

Inspiration Playground

Where kids of all abilities can play

Community giving groups

Fort Collins Forever

The Fort Collins Forever Fund was established in 1998 by a group of dedicated community members wishing to contribute to the future of youth in Fort Collins. The group pooled their charitable resources, and established a permanent endowment at the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado.

Today, annual memberships continue to grow and the fund has exceeded an endowment goal of \$200,000. Members actively participate in the decision making process regarding grant distributions and community outreach. Recently Fort Collins Forever members distributed \$20,000 in grants to area nonprofits including a new organization, DREAM, which provides respite care to families with children with mental illness. Membership in Fort Collins Forever is open to all those interested in building on this successful program to make a lasting impact in Fort Collins.

Loveland Generations

The Loveland Generations Fund was established by a group of community-minded citizens wishing to support organizations serving youth, adults and seniors in the Loveland community. Since its inception in 2001, Loveland Generations has awarded nearly \$30,000 in grants to support worthy projects such as the Namaqua Center and Meals on Wheels.

By joining with committed individuals, members are able to make the most of their charitable dollars. The Loveland Generations Fund invests its gifts to build an endowment using the income for grant making purposes in the community. The fund continues to grow and will benefit Loveland for years to come.

Berthoud's Bequest

The Foundation's Berthoud Local Advisory Board recently established the Berthoud's Bequest Fund as a means to engage community members in local philanthropy. In just a few short months membership has grown to over 20 families and members recently awarded Five Stones Student Center a \$3,000 grant.

Berthoud's Bequest has allowed multiple community members to pool their resources to create a single donor advised fund. Individuals who may not otherwise be able to create their own family fund are able to participate in Berthoud's Bequest through a minimum \$500 annual contribution.

"Giving is truly more effective and enjoyable when it is a joint enterprise rather than a solitary undertaking."

Fort Collins Forever Members...



Peggy Smith & Julie Earnest



Christine Burge & Terri Burke

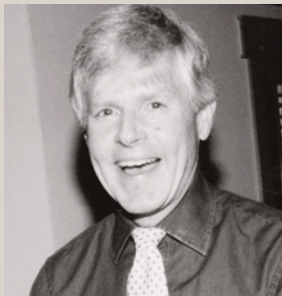


Janey & Steven Kramer



Marie Livingston, Donna Beard,
Tom Livingston, & Don Beard

Loveland Generations Members...



Bruce Hach



Marilyn Heth, Cindy Guldly, Judy Lafluer



Mike & Ginny Wagner



Teri Olson



Phil & Janice Farley

Berthoud's Bequest Members...



Diane Velehr & Lynn Johnson



Art Johnson, Gary Cleveland, Brad Pickert,
Dale Lovis, John Burchman



Peter & Barbara Bridgman, Miguel Martin



Michele & Bruce Fickel

Community Foundation Funds

Donor Advised Funds

Donor Advised Funds offer a simple, efficient alternative to the creation of a family or corporate foundation. They combine convenience, flexibility and value with the expertise of a full-time, professional staff to make your charitable giving easy, effective and enjoyable. You can create a donor advised fund with a minimum contribution of \$10,000 and then advise the Community Foundation as frequently as you choose as to the grants you would like to be made from your fund. You may elect to hand deliver grant checks from your fund, or the Community Foundation can mail grant checks to the recipients with a letter informing them that the grant is from your fund at the Community Foundation. The staff of the Community Foundation is available to liquidate property or other non-cash gifts you wish to make to your fund. And the staff is also available to work with you to screen grant requests, schedule site visits to selected nonprofits and provide information on giving opportunities. You may name your children and grandchildren as successor advisors for the fund, and your fund can be a beneficiary of your will, a gift annuity or a charitable remainder trust.



Gary & Sharlynn Wamsley
Wamsley Family Fund

Lori Barnes Memorial Fund
Bitty Fund
Cindy Haraway "Boomer Foundation"
Ruth and Bill Brown Fund
The Bluebonnet Fund
Colorado Eagles Foundation
Mattie Collier Fund
Dellenbach Family Trust
Patricia Dellenbach Fund
Scott D. Dreyfuss Memorial Fund
Durand/Kinde Family Fund
Edwards Family Fund
Everitt Companies Fund
Fast Freddy Foundation
Fickel-McCarty Foundation of Berthoud
Marty Hook Gormally Fund
Gunn Family Fund
Austin Korshak Hach Fund
The Haselbush Family Fund
The Hermes Fund
George Hix Fund
Jody and Frank Johnson Charitable Fund
Frank and Caroline Johnson Charitable Fund
Russ Keithly Fund
William Kreutzer Memorial Fund

Mariah's Kids Fund
Meyer Fund
Jack and Elsie Nicol Charitable Fund
Odell Brewing Company Fund
Park-Woodson Fund
The Rehabitat Fund
Jack and June Richardson Foundation
H. Winfield and Helen M. Rogers Family Fund
Sargent Family Fund
Schatz Family Fund
Richard & Marlene Schilling Family Charitable Fund
Jason H. Schwartz Memorial Fund
Sethre Family Foundation
Shavlik-Younger Family Fund
Rilla and Barry Shuler Fund
Leland and Dorothy Smith Fund
Stoltz Family Fund
Sutherland Family Fund
Walter and Mary Tuohy Fund
Wamsley Family Fund
Wilmarth Family Fund
Winder Memorial Fund
Mary J. B. Work Fund

Committee Advised Funds

Committee Advised Funds offer the same level of flexibility and effectiveness as a donor advised fund. Grants from committee advised funds are recommended by a named committee or successor committee members as designated by the establishing donor.

Artists' Charitable Fund
Berthoud's Bequest Fund
Fort Collins Forever Fund
Fund for Our Children / Pennies from Heaven
The Hope Fund
Thomas J. McComb/Fort Collins Jaycees Youth Fund
Loveland Generations Fund
Ida J. Murphy and Russel O. Allen Fund
Paratransit Endowment Fund



Wilson Wilmarth (left) with Jack Wolfe
of First National Bank

Donor Designated Funds

Donor Designated Funds are established by individual or corporate donors who select one or more nonprofit beneficiaries at the time the fund is established. The donor may change the designated beneficiary or beneficiaries during his or her lifetime. After the donor's lifetime, the fund will be permanently designated as directed by the donor unless a designated agency ceases to exist.

Disabled Resource Services Endowment Fund
The Lois L. Kroh Fund
Mary Stranahan Fund



Lindsay Arensmeir Memorial Sculpture
"Between Friends"

Designated Agency Funds

Designated Agency Funds are established by individual donors or organizations to receive gifts from the community to benefit a specific agency. The beneficiary may not be changed unless the designated agency ceases to exist.

Artwear fund for Lincoln Center
Riedman/Women's Guild Concertmaster Chair Fund
Favour Fund
Fort Collins Police Services Reward Fund
Friends of the Library Fund
Friends of the Senior Center Endowment Fund
Nancy Story Gunn Scholarship Fund
Richard J. Albrecht Leadership Fort Collins Fund
Library Fund
Lincoln Center Program Endowment Fund
Assistant Youth Director Endowment Fund
PVH Foundation/Family Medicine Center Fund
Laramie River Valley Rendezvous Fund
Red Feather Lakes Community Library Fund
Ride for the Kids Fund
Rosenberg Endowment Fund
Wilfred (Will) Schwartz Conductors Endowment
St. Joseph's Charitable Trust Fund
The Swift Ponds Fund

Agency Funds

Agency Funds are established by nonprofits that elect to work with the Community Foundation to grow their endowments. The Community Foundation acts as the planned giving office for the agency by handling all non-cash gifts, issuing gift annuities and educating donors about giving options. The agency also benefits from the expertise of the Community Foundation's Investment Committee and from the accounting and administrative support of the Foundation staff.

EDUCO Youth Leadership Trust
Estes Valley Victim Advocates Endowment
Foothills Gateway Rehabilitation Center
Gift-A-Book Fund
Nancy Story Gunn Scholarship Fund
Humane Society of Larimer County Endowment
Loveland Methodist Foundation, Inc.
Loveland Methodist Mission Fund
Project Self-Sufficiency
Fort Collins Tennis Foundation
Thompson Valley Rotary Foundation Endowment
United Way of Larimer County



Wilma & Karl Carson
Major donors to the YAC Fund

Operating Funds

Boettcher Regional Support Fund
Carriage House Park Building Fund
Bob and Esther Clark Fund
Cornerstone Campaign Fund
Founders Fund
Operating Fund

Special Project Funds

The Lindsey Arensmeier Memorial Fund
The Center for Fine Art Photography Fund
Disaster Relief Fund
Early Childhood Professional Development
Poudre Fire Authority/Fire Safety Education Fund
Footprints: Women of Excellence
Inspiration Playground Fund
Kids Matter Fund
Lincoln Center Program Pass Through Fund
Loveland Fire Safety Education & Prevention Fund
Mrs. Walsh's Xeriscape Demonstration Garden Fund
Youth Activity Center Fund

Scholarship Funds

Scholarship Funds benefit students at colleges and universities throughout the United States. Specific criteria are established for each fund.

David L. Baily Scholarship Fund
William J. Blair Fund
Theodore R. Blevins Award Fund
Fort Collins Board of Realtors Fund
Mable L. Boland Fund
Child Care Assistance Fund
Class of 40 Fund
Compton Music Award Fund
Joe Cribari Scholarship Fund
Paul and Jean Dillie Memorial Fund
John C. Drennen Foundation Fund
Arta Mae Johnson Scholarship Fund
Larimer County Bar Association Scholarship Fund
Loveland Methodist Scholarship Fund
Anna May Miller Fund
Fort Collins Evening Optimist Scholarship Fund
Stella Morris Payne Fund
Salomonson-Fickel Berthoud High School Scholarship Fund
George Scott Award
Erik Smith Memorial Scholarship
The Thomas B. Snover Memorial Fund
Maurice and Sallie Stephens Vocal Music Award
Dr. Henry M. Tanner and Dr. Parker Mahan Scholarship Fund
Kirsten L. Tool Memorial Fund
Triumph Award Fund
Nancy M. Yeager Memorial Fund

Field of Interest Funds

Field of Interest Funds are designated by the donors to benefit specific areas of interest such as education or human services. Grants from these funds are left to the discretion of the appropriate Local Advisory Board.

The Berthoud Recreation and Parks Fund
Big Thompson Canyon Fund
Children's Health Fund
Davidson Family Fund
Larimer County Dental Society Fund
E3 Endowment Fund
Economic Opportunity Fund
Estes Valley Child Care Fund
Estes Valley Public Education Fund
Estes Valley Affordable Housing Fund
Estes Valley Health Fund
Estes Valley Human Resources Fund
Hammond-Gribbell Fund
Editha Todd Leonard Trust Fund
Sarah E. Loveland Fund
Fort Collins Physician's Charity Fund
Sertoma Memorial Charitable Fund
Helen E. Spiker Fund
Fort Collins Fund for Visual Arts
Robert Zach Poet Laureate Award Endowment
Joseph J. & Alice A. Zink Fund
Zink Community Needs Fund

Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted Funds are used by the Community Foundation's Local Advisory Boards for competitive grantmaking in Fort Collins, Loveland, Berthoud and Estes Valley.

EDITH BEECHEL FUND

Berthoud Community Fund
Berthoud-Boettcher Challenge
Cloyd and Laura Crone Fund
Estes Valley Community Fund
Fort Collins Community Fund
Fort Collins-Boettcher Challenge
Hoffman Charitable Fund
Frank and Caroline Johnson Charitable Endowment Fund
The Klinger Charitable Fund
Loveland Community Fund
Loveland-Boettcher Challenge
Pat and Gene Markley Fund
Katherine O'M. Moffitt Fund



Nancy Story Gunn Scholarship Recipient,
Stacy Musial, with her son, Andre.

Grants

Donor Advised Grants

African-American Leadership Institute	\$1,000.00	Mizel Center for Arts and Culture	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross	\$11,600.00	Namaqua Center	\$2,000.00
Bas Bleu Theatre Company	\$500.00	Namaqua Elementary School	\$2,790.00
Berthoud High School	\$600.00	National Multiple Sclerosis Society	\$2,500.00
Berthoud Public Library	\$1,000.00	Open Stage Theatre Company	\$600.00
Better Business Bureau Education Foundation	\$500.00	Opera Fort Collins	\$200.00
Boy Scouts of America-Longs Peak Council	\$5,800.00	Partners In Education, Inc.	\$2,600.00
Boys & Girls Club of Larimer County	\$1,200.00	Partners of Larimer County	\$2,000.00
Catholic Charities Northern	\$1,100.00	Poudre School District Fdn	\$10,500.00
Children's Speech Therapy Center	\$2,000.00	Poudre School District R-1	\$7,000.00
Colorado Contemporary Music College	\$1,000.00	Poudre Valley Hospital Foundation	\$10,375.00
Colorado Odyssey, Inc.	\$200.00	Project Self-Sufficiency	\$6,600.00
Colorado State University	\$500.00	Rancho Vista Equine Therapy	\$4,000.00
Colorado State University Foundation	\$111,400.00	Respite Care, Inc.	\$100.00
Covenant Bible College-Midwest	\$25,000.00	Roy Foundation-C/O CO Rockies	\$1,000.00
Crossroads Safehouse	\$300.00	Senior Alternatives In Transportation	\$500.00
Denver Rescue Mission	\$200.00	Serimus Operating Foundation	\$91,200.00
Discovery Science Center	\$2,000.00	Special Olympics Colorado	\$175.00
Educo School of Colorado	\$2,000.00	St. Joseph's Catholic Church	\$800.00
Estes Park Public Library Foundation	\$150.00	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	\$5,000.00
Food Bank for Larimer County	\$2,100.00	St. Mary's University	\$1,000.00
Foothills Gateway	\$3,000.00	Suicide Resource Center	\$1,000.00
Fort Collins Children's Theatre	\$1,300.00	Task Force of Douglas County	\$517.00
Fort Collins Soccer Club	\$25,000.00	Tavelli Elementary School	\$680.00
Fort Collins Symphony Orchestra	\$2,500.00	The Compassionate Friends	\$3,000.00
Fort Collins Wind Symphony	\$300.00	The Salvation Army-Fort Collins	\$1,000.00
Friends First	\$1,000.00	Town of Berthoud	\$2,000.00
Friends of the Senior Center	\$250.00	Turning Point	\$5,000.00
Front Range Chamber Players	\$2,500.00	United Way of Weld County Inc.	\$2,000.00
Front Range Community College Foundation	\$1,800.00	United Way of Larimer County	\$4,500.00
Gore Range Natural Science School	\$300.00	University of Colorado Law School	\$600.00
Habitat for Humanity	\$1,000.00	Vintage Voices	\$2,000.00
Hearts and Horses	\$800.00	Wingshadow	\$15,000.00
Hospice of Metro Denver	\$500.00	Young Life Northern Colorado	\$1,500.00
House of Neighborly Service	\$400.00		
Junior Achievement-Rocky Mountain, Inc.	\$12,000.00	Subtotal Donor Advised Grants	\$415,687.00
Kids In Need of Dentistry	\$200.00		
Larimer Chorale	\$1,250.00		
Legacy Land Trust	\$500.00		
Loveland Concert Band	\$200.00		

Committee Advised Grants

Artists' Charitable Fund	\$4,954.75
ARTSTEPS	\$500.00
Berthoud Golden Links, Inc.	\$1,000.00
Centennial High School	\$3,600.00
Center for Community Justice	\$340.00
Children's Speech Therapy Center	\$7,500.00
Congregations Building Communities	\$1,000.00
Dunn Elementary School	\$1,200.00
Educo School of Colorado	\$500.00
Elder Pet Care	\$1,000.00
Family Center	\$10,000.00
Fort Collins Housing Authority	\$3,000.00
Junior Achievement	\$1,995.00
Larimer Center for Mental Health	\$5,723.00
Larimer County Child Advocacy	\$5,000.00
Laurel Elementary School	\$1,200.00
Loveland Concert Band	\$2,738.00
Loveland Cultural Services Department	\$500.00
McGraw Elementary School	\$2,500.00
Meals on Wheels	\$2,000.00
Mega Life and Health Insurance Company	\$4,458.00
Namaqua Center	\$1,550.00
Northern Colorado AIDS Project	\$3,000.00
Poudre Valley Hospital	\$239.47
Putnam Elementary School	\$1,500.00
Salud Family Health Center	\$10,000.00
Senior Alternatives In Transportation	\$4,000.00
Suicide Resource Center	\$3,000.00
Tavelli Elementary School	\$100.00
TEAM Fort Collins	\$900.00
The Learning House Fdn	\$13,696.00
Thompson Education Foundation	\$500.00
Subtotal Committee Advised Grants	\$99,194.22

Designated Agency Grants

First United Methodist Church of Loveland	\$22,464.00
Fort Collins Police	\$5,000.00
Friends of the Library	\$476.80
Poudre Valley Hospital Foundation	\$26,717.55
Project Self-Sufficiency	\$7,068.65
Red Feather Lakes Community Library	\$29,651.34
Subtotal Designated Agency Grants	\$91,378.34

Agency Grants

First United Methodist Church of Loveland	\$3,000.00
Fort Collins Library	\$1,360.67
Humane Society of Larimer County	\$1,521.41
Project Self-Sufficiency	\$1,997.71
The Thompson Valley Rotary Club of Loveland	\$1,747.35
United Way of Weld County	\$463.92
United Way of Larimer County	\$463.93
Subtotal Agency Grants	\$10,554.99



Child Care Assistance Fund Award Recipients, Brianna Forest & Spirit Pearn, with their children



Ashley with Elmo on new playground at Respite Care facility

Field of Interest Grants

Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center	\$5,000.00
Boltz Junior High School	\$1,625.00
Cache La Poudre Junior High School	\$1,700.00
Centennial High School	\$1,809.00
Family Self-Sufficiency Program	\$636.00
Fort Collins High School	\$1,000.00
Irish Elementary School	\$1,430.00
Johnson Elementary	\$319.00
Lab School	\$800.00
Lamar Community College	\$2,500.00
Laurel Elementary School	\$1,998.41
Lopez Elementary	\$450.00
Lutheran Family Services	\$5,000.00
Meals on Wheels	\$5,000.00
O'Dea Elementary	\$258.60
Olander Elementary School	\$1,999.40
Otero Junior College	\$2,500.00
Poudre High School	\$990.00
Putnam Elementary School	\$2,000.00
Rocky Mountain High School	\$2,000.00
Sunshine School	\$3,000.00
Vintage Voices	\$10,500.00
Wingshadow	\$10,000.00
The Women's Center	\$14,300.00
Subtotal Field of Interest Grants	\$76,815.41



Hospice of Larimer County client engaged in grieving & loss counseling

Unrestricted Grants

Berthoud Habitat for Humanity	\$7,500.00
Berthoud Youth Athletic Association	\$3,000.00
Chaminade University	\$500.00
Court Appointed Special Advocate	\$7,000.00
Elderhaus Adult Day Programs	\$5,000.00
Ensign Skills Center, Inc.	\$3,000.00
FirstCall	\$3,000.00
Food Bank for Larimer County	\$7,500.00
Fort Collins Habitat for Humanity	\$5,000.00
House of Neighborly Service	\$1,500.00
Loveland-Berthoud Interfaith Hospitality Network	\$2,000.00
Lutheran Family Services	\$3,000.00
Meals on Wheels	\$2,000.00
Partners of Larimer County	\$7,000.00
Poudre School District R-1	\$6,000.00
Project Self-Sufficiency	\$7,500.00
Respite Care, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Sunshine School	\$2,000.00
Volunteers of America	\$3,000.00
Subtotal Unrestricted Grants	\$78,000.00



Educo International Alliance Expedition
July 2004 British Columbia

Donor Designated Grants

Berthoud Senior Center	\$1,682.43
Subtotal Donor Designated Grants	\$1,682.43

Special Projects Grants

Memorial Sculpture	\$6,000.00
Early Childhood Council of Larimer County	\$18,543.04
Fort Collins Police Services	\$10,185.00
Loveland Fire & Rescue	\$1,000.00
Poudre School District R-1	\$4,489.93
Subtotal Special Project Grants	\$40,317.97



Habitat for Humanity volunteer working on 24th home project in Fort Collins.

Scholarship Awards

Aims Community College	\$196.00
Azusa Pacific University	\$1,000.00
B.A.S.E. Camp	\$3,922.00
Children's World Learning Center	\$10,560.00
Children's Workshop Learning Center	\$10,320.00
Colorado State University Foundation	\$2,000.00
Colorado State University	\$7,500.00
Front Range Community College-Larimer County	\$2,200.00
Kansas State University	\$500.00
KinderCare Learning Center	\$11,700.00
Medallion School Partnerships	\$503.00
Northern Arizona University	\$600.00
Poudre School District Foundation	\$98,923.60
Seven Oaks Academy-Little Acorn's	\$31,257.50
Stanford University	\$2,500.00
Texas A&M University	\$500.00
United Day Care Center-Fullana Center	\$4,692.00
University of Colorado at Boulder	\$6,500.00
University of Northern Colorado Foundation	\$5,000.00
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University of Puget Sound	\$1,500.00
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Subtotal Scholarship Grants	\$212,943.10

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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NORTHERN COLORADO STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (unaudited)*

as of June 30	2004	2003
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$683,746	\$49,894
Investments	15,466,608	12,246,499
Notes & grants receivable	32,500	409,083
Pledges receivable, net	788,549	0
Prepaid expenses	9,826	7,219
Property held for resale		6,500
Property & equipment, net	2,231,368	1,469,436
Other Assets	20,509	
Total Assets	\$19,233,106	\$14,188,631
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities:		
Accts/grants payable & accrued liabilities	\$102,956	\$41,679
Grants Payable	\$49,014	
Assets held for agency funds	1,731,436	1,347,267
Total Liabilities	1,883,406	1,388,946
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	15,271,344	12,318,928
Temporarily Restricted	2,078,356	480,757
Total Net Assets	17,367,400	12,799,686
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$19,233,106	\$14,188,631

*This financial statement is derived from the Foundation's full audit report. In no way is it meant to substitute for the full audit, but only to give a brief overview. A complete audited financial report is available from the Foundation upon request.

Q & A

What is a Community Foundation?

Community foundations in the United States hold approximately \$35 billion in charitable dollars and are located throughout the country. In 2003, Community Foundations gave more than \$2.5 billion to a wide variety of nonprofit activities, including the arts, education, faith-based initiatives, environmental projects, public health and disaster relief.

How does the Community Foundation help donors?

Community foundations offer donors many services and benefits. They routinely work with families and their professional advisors to design flexible gift plans that make charitable giving easy, enjoyable and effective. The focus of the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado is to help people achieve their unique charitable dreams. Many donors use the community foundation as an alternative to private foundations. For others, it is a way to organize their giving and make it more beneficial to them from a tax standpoint and more impactful to the community. Still others are focused on the long-term and see a fund at the Community Foundation as a way to extend their giving beyond their lifetimes.

Does the Foundation partner with other agencies?

Yes, the Community Foundation carefully evaluates and enters into strategic partnerships. Currently, the Foundation is working with the United Way of Larimer County and the Northern Colorado Economic Development Council on projects that benefit the entire community. The Foundation also provides planned giving services to area nonprofits who are seeking to build endowment funds.

How are Foundation investments handled?

The Community Foundation has an Investment Committee made up of community leaders who advise the Board of Trustees regarding investment issues, including the selection of professional managers. A formal Investment Policy Statement has been adopted by the Board of Trustees. An investment consulting firm is used to help the Investment Committee evaluate all professional managers on a quarterly basis. In an effort to provide options to our donors, the Foundation has recently begun to offer multiple investment pools with varying asset allocation and risk levels.

What are Community Giving Groups?

Fort Collins, Loveland and Berthoud have established groups of donors who pool their donations and work together to have a greater impact on their communities. Fort Collins Forever, Loveland Generations and The Berthoud Bequest are groups of donors who contribute a minimum of \$500 each year into a common fund. Each group has social gatherings and a grants committee. These groups are based on the idea that giving is more enjoyable and more impactful when people work together.

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