

# giving together

## IMPACT2015

*Giving Together Creates Impact!* There is not a better tagline than this to describe the Community Foundation's work in 2015. The Foundation has had a record year in grant making to local nonprofits through several grant programs. **The success of the Community Foundation's work is thanks to you, our donors who want to impact our community for the better.**

## by the NUMBERS...



## COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM -

### ANIMALS AND WILDLIFE: \$11,000 AWARDED

**Flathead Shelter Friends:** Purchase two surgical lights for new surgery room  
**Flathead Spay and Neuter Task Force:** Purchase pulse/oximeter monitors and humane traps for feral cats  
**Humane Society of NW Montana:** Medical care for abandoned animals  
**KittyMOM's Rescue Organization:** Support to rescue stray and homeless cats  
**Montana Wild Wings Recovery Center:** Purchase a blood lead analyzer  
**WAG - Hugh Rogers WAG Dog Park:** Improve the north field of the dog park

### ARTS AND CULTURE: \$30,030 AWARDED

**Alpine Theatre Project:** Purchase LED lighting for productions  
**Crown of the Continent Guitar Foundation:** Scholarships for Whitefish students  
**Glacier Symphony and Choral:** Support concerts in Whitefish  
**Groovetrail:** Support the Gift of Music Program in senior centers  
**Hockaday Museum of Art:** Art education outreach in Whitefish schools  
**North Valley Music School:** Support the Acoustic Jam Program  
**Whitefish Review:** Support for literary events  
**Whitefish Performing Arts Center:** Purchase communications technology  
**Whitefish Theatre Company:** Purchase an interactive SMART board

### COMMUNITY BUILDING: \$10,975 AWARDED

**Columbia Falls Community Market:** SNAP Program support  
**Whitefish Community Center:** Support current and expanding programs  
**Whitefish Library Association:** Purchase audio books and DVDs  
**Whitefish Winter Carnival (WWC):** Funding for Winter Carnival float

### CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT: \$10,500 AWARDED

**Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation:** Youth in wilderness projects  
**Family Forestry Expo:** Purchase 1,400 student workbooks  
**Flathead Audubon Society:** Support conservation education program  
**Flathead Land Trust:** Conservation needs in Whitefish area  
**Whitefish Lake Institute:** Research support on Mysids shrimp

### EDUCATION: \$34,186 AWARDED

**Children's House Montessori:** Scholarship support for families in need  
**Farming for the Future Academy:** Summer camps for children with autism  
**FVCC Foundation:** Build an outdoor welding classroom at Whitefish High School  
**Glacier Institute:** Provide programs to underprivileged youth  
**GIGL Childcare and Preschool:** Purchase educational teaching materials  
**Olney - Bissell School #58:** Replace aging laptops in classrooms  
**Whitefish Community School:** Create educational and interactive play area  
**Whitefish School District Grants -**  
**Whitefish Middle School Band Program:** Purchase a marimba  
**Whitefish High School Chemistry Department:** Supplies for glass program  
**Whitefish High School Freeflow Program:** Purchase raft and waders for student research

## 2015 a record year!

### HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: \$103,575 AWARDED

**A Ray of Hope:** Repair foundation of the homeless shelter  
**Backpack Assistance Program (BAP):** Support weekly and holiday food bag program for students in need  
**CASA for Kids:** Support for training 20 court appointed advocates  
**Center for Restorative Youth Justice:** Expand services for at-risk youth  
**City of Whitefish Parks and Recreation:** Scholarships for summer day camp  
**Child Bridge:** Train families for foster or adoptive families  
**Community Action Partnership:** Support emergency revolving loan fund  
**Flathead Youth Home:** Purchase bicycles for student transportation/exercise  
**Habitat for Humanity:** Support for affordable housing program  
**Human Therapy on Horseback:** Fund therapy riding sessions  
**Intermountain:** Support for children who are victims of trauma  
**Lighthouse Christian Home:** Fund program for people with disabilities  
**Montana Food Bank Network:** Purchase food for weekly food bag program for students in need in Whitefish School District  
**NC Foundation:** Support for Student Assistance Program in Whitefish schools  
**North Valley Food Bank:** Increase class offering to encourage healthy diets  
**Nourish the Flathead (Farm Hands):** Fund SNAP2 and senior coupons  
**Salvation Army:** Provide hot meals, laundry, showers, and food assistance  
**Samaritan House:** Replace flooring in entry to shelter  
**Shepherd's Hand Free Clinic:** Support for clinic's medical and dental services  
**Tamarack Grief Resource Center:** Expand and improve grief resources  
**Violence Free Crisis Line /Abbie Shelter:** Fund education on domestic violence in the community  
**Whitefish Rotary Charitable Fund:** Holiday program for families in need  
**Whitefish School District:** Support student snack program for children in need  
**Whitefish Veterans Support Team:** Host retreats for injured veterans

### SPORTS AND RECREATION: \$42,625 AWARDED

**Big Mountain Ski Patrol:** Support for youth avalanche course  
**Casting for Recovery:** Fly fishing retreat for women with breast cancer  
**Columbia Falls - Whitefish Swim Teams:** Purchase training equipment  
**DREAM Adaptive Recreation:** Fund adaptive sports program  
**Flathead Fat Tires:** Transportation of underserved youth to bike clinics  
**Flathead Nordic Backcountry Patrol:** Training for backcountry ski rescue  
**Flathead Rapids Soccer Club:** Provide a secure storage container  
**Flathead Valley Ski Education Foundation:** Purchase wireless timing equipment  
**Friends of the Flathead Avalanche Center:** Public avalanche awareness  
**Gateway to Glacier Trail:** Construction of a welcome kiosk on the trail  
**Glacier Hockey Association:** Purchase new team Jerseys  
**Glacier Nordic Club:** Replace worn equipment for youth ski program  
**Riding On Insulin:** Ski and snowboard camp for children with type 1 diabetes  
**Special Olympics Montana:** Assist with costs of the Whitefish Winter Games  
**The WAVE:** Providing low or no cost memberships to those in financial need  
**Whitefish Figure Skating Club:** Enhance Learn to Skate program  
**Whitefish Legacy Partners:** Expand bike patrol and junior bike patrol