

Your WHITEFISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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IMPACT THAT IS CHANGING LIVES

Giving Together Creates Impact

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2015 COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

ANIMALS AND WILDLIFE • 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 • Alpine Theatre Project: Purchase LED lighting for productions • Crown of the Continent Guitar Foundation: Scholarships for Whitefish students • Glacier Symphony and Chorale: 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 • 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 • 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 • 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 • Young Entrepreneurs Academy: Scholarship support • HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES • 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: 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 Student Assistance Program in Whitefish schools • North Valley Food Bank: Supporting classes 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 clinic's medical/dental services • Tamarack Grief Resource Center: Expand and improve grief resources • Violence Free Crisis Line / Abbie Shelter: Domestic violence education awareness in the community • Whitefish Rotary Charitable Fund: Christmas 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 • 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/ snowboard camp for children

2015 GRANT PROGRAMS BY THE NUMBERS:

\$1.7 Million Grants Awarded in 2015 from the Community Foundation's Donor Advised Fund Program	38 Number of donor advised and designated funds held by the Whitefish Community Foundation	\$250,391 Awarded through the Foundation's annual Community Grant Program	\$1.1 Million Raised through the Great Fish Community Challenge at zero cost to 32 participating nonprofits
\$231,828 Grants disbursed from the Community Foundation's Endowment Fund Program	\$8,220 Amount of Immediate Micro Grants awarded to help with unexpected needs facing local nonprofits	76 Number of nonprofit organizations that received a grant from the 2015 Community Grant Program	\$209,096 Amount of matching grants awarded in the Great Fish Community Challenge
\$25,000 Major Community Project Grant awarded to Whitefish Theatre Co.	22 Number of Permanent Endowment Funds held by the Whitefish Community Foundation building sustainable funding	\$15,000 Endowment Challenge Grants awarded from Permanent Endowment Program	53% Percentage match on the first \$15,000 raised by participating nonprofits in the first annual Great Fish Community Challenge



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