Our lives are made up of family and friends, work and play, hobbies and travel. If you are interested in including a charitable legacy to benefit your community as part of your life’s patchwork quilt, please contact our office for more info, (970) 243-3767.

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Dick Pippenger’s wife of almost 50 years, Kathy, passed away a year ago. Her husband has established an endowed scholarship in her name for high school graduates in Mesa County who are interested in becoming a registered nurse, medical doctor or pursuing a career in engineering. Since Kathy was not able to fulfill her own goal of attending college, this is a way to help someone else achieve their goal.

Since moving to Grand Junction in 1991, Kathy was very active in the community. She loved serving in her church, Redlands United Methodist, by singing in the choir, playing handbells and serving on many committees. Kathy was also known for her lifelong passion for quilting. She was a member of every local quilting group and especially enjoyed working on Quilt Documentations throughout Colorado. She loved creating quilts as gifts for family and friends as well as for people living with cancer through the Caring Hands and Hearts quilt group. Kathy fought her cancer for 32 years and demonstrated enormous courage, determination and faith. Quilting projects were a way for her to stay active and help others, despite her own health problems.

This new scholarship fund allows the memory of Kathy Pippenger to live on through an ongoing gift to support people going to college to pursue their career ambitions. Their education will help them to provide comfort and health to others through nursing or medicine - a fitting tribute to Kathy Pippenger who provided comfort and care to others during her lifetime. In addition, she appreciated the well-trained doctors and nurses who helped care for her during her many years fighting cancer. Engineering was also special to Kathy as her son and husband are engineers. She enjoyed seeing their education at work and appreciated how engineers serve people in so many ways.
No Kid Hungry and Kids Aid are two partners in the fight against childhood hunger. Click the picture for more information on Kids Aid.

Our Community Foundation Supports the Fight Against Child Hunger

Our Community Foundation is pleased to provide financial support to 15 organizations that fight hunger on the Western Slope.

Four recent grants specifically target child hunger: Kids Aid’s weekend backpack program (Grand Junction), Reach Out Colorado’s Totes of Hope program (Rifle), Delta Opportunity School’s Food for Thought program in Delta County, and River Center Kids Totes of Hope program (New Castle).

Other organizations fighting hunger that our Community Foundation has supported this year include Grand Valley Catholic Outreach, Plateau Valley Assembly of God Food Bank, Surface Creek Food Bank, the Community Food Bank and the Western Slope Food Bank of the Rockies.

Our Community Foundation is collaborating with the No Kid Hungry Campaign and Hunger Free Colorado to address childhood hunger on the Western Slope. In July we hosted a leadership meeting with over 25 people gathered to share information and learn what various agencies are doing. We hope to be part of a community solution to end childhood hunger in our corner of the world.

We are organizing an education and tour event to allow donors and community leaders to learn more about local efforts to address child hunger. Stay posted...

Save the Date!

Unveiling of the new bronze sculpture commemorating the founders of City Market

October 18 @ 5:00PM

Community Foundation board member, Tony Prinster, will be on hand to sign copies of his new book, The History of City Market: The Brothers Four and the Back Slope Empire.
A total of $90,000 has been awarded to hunger programs so far this year.

Want to learn more about setting up a CHARITABLE LEGACY FUND to honor a loved one AND help our community? Please visit our website or contact us for more information.

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