2018 was a year of significant growth and impact, improving the lives of people and communities here in western Colorado.

Our annual report this year has expanded to 16 pages to better capture the highlights of our year – stories of our donors and their charitable legacies, the important work of our grant recipients, new local community funds that have been established, our work addressing hunger and food insecurity, and new initiatives.

In 2018 we celebrated a 10% year-over-year growth in discretionary assets. Unrestricted donations and donations earmarked to address particular issues provide flexible funding and allow us to identify unmet community needs and respond with grant funding for new projects. We are also able to do more leadership work in areas like childhood hunger, suicide prevention, opioid addiction, conservation and the environment – addressing issues that impact the lives of so many of our friends and neighbors here in western Colorado.

A huge thank you to our many donors who believe in and support the power of local philanthropy. Together, we are building our organization and growing a movement to make a difference where we live, work, and play, year after year.
Types of Funds

Our Community Foundation offers a number of different types of funds and maximum flexibility. Donors can establish a permanent endowment or a fund for a more limited-time duration.

- **DONOR ADVISED FUND** – provides the ultimate flexibility, allowing donors to recommend specific organizations to receive grants each year.
- **DESIGNATED FUND** – donors select one or more favorite charitable organizations and the designated organization(s) will automatically receive the annual earnings on the fund.
- **FIELD OF INTEREST FUND** – donors choose the area of impact for their funds (e.g., children at risk, arts and culture) and WCCF makes the annual grantmaking decisions based on community needs.
- **NONPROFIT (AGENCY) FUND** – nonprofit organizations establish these funds to provide an annual income stream to support their operations.
- **LOCAL COMMUNITY FUND** – also known as geographic area funds, these are established by a donor or group of donors to benefit a particular geographic area or community in which they live.
- **SCHOLARSHIP FUND** – donors establish the criteria and guidelines to provide financial support to students pursuing college or continuing education after high school.
- **COMMUNITY GRANTS FUND** – donors make unrestricted contributions that enable WCCF to respond to new and changing needs in our communities.

Bray Cares Foundation

Supporting our HOME Community

Over the past 75 years, four generations of the Bray family have built a successful real estate/property management business in Mesa County. The company has always been committed to giving back to the local community through financial support of different nonprofit organizations and encouraging employees to volunteer. With the establishment of the **Bray Cares Foundation**, the company is taking its community giving to a new level.

**Bray Cares Foundation** supports housing-related needs – a wide variety of projects providing emergency shelter, rent assistance, affordable housing, housing for people living with disabilities, and services to help seniors stay in their homes – an appropriate focus given the primary business niche of the company. For our Community Foundation, this partnership is a first in terms of working with a local business to support their corporate giving program.

Lynn Thompson and Robert Bray of Bray & Company launch Bray Cares Foundation.

Recognized in the community for selling homes, Bray & Company is giving back to agencies in our community who help those who are struggling to keep a roof over their heads.
Birds, Bats and Other Creatures
Donor Organizes and Personalizes Her Philanthropy

If you ask Rifle resident Lulu Colby about her interests, she responds with one word: bats. Lulu is fascinated by the nocturnal radar-flying creatures; she is a supporter of the Bat World Sanctuary in Texas and studied to become a chiroptera (bat) rehabilitator. She also loves birds, cats, dogs, and all sorts of other animals. Her life has been full of ranching, tending sheep and 16 years of nomadic goat herding to manage vegetation across the West.

Lulu recently made a decision to expand and localize her philanthropy. She established Colby’s Fund to organize her giving. A donor-advised fund provides her an easy and efficient way to manage her charitable giving. “I appreciate the research and information that the Community Foundation staff gives me about local needs and nonprofit organizations. They really know what is going on and I feel my charitable dollars are being used well.”

Lulu has made provisions in her will for the Community Foundation to continue supporting her favorite charitable interests. “I’m thankful that my estate is taken care of. Knowing that the Community Foundation is there gives me great peace of mind.”

This is a great way for me to give back to the community I live in.

Ways to Give

- **CASH** – is the simplest way to give and provides immediate benefits to the donor.
- **STOCK AND SECURITIES** – can be donated via a stock transfer directly to our investment account. Appreciated securities may have a double tax advantage; the donor receives an annual charitable tax deduction and avoids capital gains taxes.
- **RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS** – donors who are 70½ or older can take advantage of the IRA charitable rollover, or designate Western Colorado Community Foundation as the beneficiary of their retirement accounts at end-of-life.
- **REAL ESTATE, BUSINESS INTERESTS AND ROYALTIES** – these complex assets can be donated. Please call our office to discuss your gift.
- **LIFE INSURANCE** – a donor can name Western Colorado Community Foundation as beneficiary of an existing policy that is no longer needed, or consider purchasing a life insurance policy naming us as the beneficiary.
- **CHARITABLE LEAD OR REMAINDER TRUSTS** – allow the donor to receive considerable tax deductions, provide income to themselves or their family members, and support their community.
Blueprint to End Hunger
Tackling Food Insecurity in Western Colorado

In January 2018, the Colorado Health Foundation released its *Colorado Blueprint to End Hunger*, a comprehensive report documenting the extent of hunger in our state and outlining goals and strategies to address this issue. In June, our Community Foundation hosted a Leadership Forum for business and community leaders in Mesa County to learn about hunger and discuss our own needs and opportunities. In October, our Community Foundation received a planning grant from the Colorado Health Foundation to develop a coordinated and comprehensive local action plan. This grant is our first from the largest charitable foundation in the state. More than the funding, this grant is testimony to our innovative efforts here in western Colorado.

One in six children in Colorado are negatively impacted by hunger. In Mesa County, one in two school-age students qualify for free/reduced school lunches, a federal indicator of poverty and food insecurity. When children have access to adequate nutrition, educational outcomes improve and school absences decrease.

In summer 2018, the Lunch Lizard (3 food truck routes) and D51 school sites served almost 37,000 meals to hungry kids.

Mesa County is one of the first communities to move ahead with a local strategy to implement the Blueprint to End Hunger. From conceiving and launching the highly successful Lunch Lizard summer mobile meals program to providing significant funding and support for Kids Aid Backpack Program’s expansion, our Community Foundation is leading the way on alleviating hunger.
$100,000 in grant funding was awarded to 18 organizations to help them expand programs to alleviate hunger for our most vulnerable citizens in communities across western Colorado.

- Cedaredge Community Gardens – fresh produce for the local food bank.
- Child and Migrant Services – healthy foods for farmworkers and their families.
- Clifton Christian Church – support for expanding food bank needs.
- Colorado Farm to Table – Colorado-grown produce for food pantries in Delta and Montrose.
- CSU Foundation – Community Alliance for Education and Hunger Relief growing produce for food pantries at Orchard Mesa research station.
- Common Ground Montrose – weekend backpack program.
- Community Food Bank – commercial refrigerator and freezer.
- Delta Food Pantry – dairy products for expanding program.
- Food Bank of the Rockies – Fighting Hunger, Feeding Hope in Fruita.
- Gray Gourmet – new transportation services for seniors in Clifton.
- Karis/The House – food for youth in transitional housing.
- Kids Aid – expanding Backpack Program.
- Learning Council – community lunches and agricultural classes.
- Lift Up – protein and other hard-to-get foods for Garfield County pantry.
- Sharing Ministries – infrastructure for new community garden.
- St. Mary’s Hospital – Food on the Move mobile pantry for Clifton.
- Surface Creek Community Services – walk-in cooler.
- Vail Valley Salvation Army – irrigation system for community garden.
Local Landscapes and Outdoor Lifestyles
Expanding Funding for the Environment

Many people live in western Colorado because of the beautiful landscapes and outdoor activities unique to our area. Local donors care about the environment and nonprofit organizations are working on a variety of projects in this sector. Historically, only 1% of our grant funding has supported the environment broadly-defined, but that is changing quickly. In 2018, 8% of our total grant funds supported environment projects.

Our Community Foundation is making a commitment to expand funding for the conservation, restoration and enhancement of natural ecosystems important to the quality of life, health and economy of our communities in western Colorado.

Conserving open space... Protecting wildlife habitat... Improving air and water quality...
Promoting recycling and alternative energy... Encouraging balanced development of outdoor recreation... Preserving our special landscapes... Educating and engaging our youth in environmental stewardship...

Getting youth outdoors and enjoying nature
New rafts and river trip equipment allowed Colorado Canyons Association to introduce 270 students and youth to science and adventure on raft trips on the Colorado and Gunnison Rivers.

Hands on learning
Students, teachers and US Fish and Wildlife break ground on a fish hatchery facility at Palisade High School. The new program will teach students about water issues and endangered fish habitat, culminating in the release of razorback suckers into the Colorado River.
Community assets for environmental education

The Colorado National Monument Association successfully matched a $25,000 challenge grant from our Community Foundation for the Saddlehorn Amphitheater renovation project, a community asset for environmental education in a beautiful outdoor setting.

Preserving open space for future generations

Colorado West Land Trust preserved 1,427 acres of open space in 2018, including ranch land and important wildlife habitat in Ouray County.

CORE Initiative Launched

Resources & Partnerships for Conservation/Outdoor Recreation/Environment Projects

With the enthusiasm and financial support of a handful of founding donors who care about the environment, our Community Foundation is building a new endowment fund to increase funding and distribute grants in support of conservation, outdoor recreation and environment projects.

One of the founding donors of the CORE Fund is David Miller, an avid hiker and skier and the chairman of Alpine Bank’s Green Team. “In my day job, I advocate for sustainable business practices like recycling, energy-efficient lighting, and new building construction that save my company money and are also good for the environment. So many people who choose to live in western Colorado do so for the lifestyle. We want to take care of our environment so that western Colorado continues to be a desirable place to live.”

The CORE Fund will support a wide span of projects as there are many issues to work on related to protecting and enhancing our environment and outdoor lifestyle. Like-minded donors who care about these issues and want to make grant investments are encouraged to join us.

In 2018, our Community Foundation committed $230,000 in grant funding to environment-focused projects ~ 8% of our total grant funding.
Involving Local Businesses in Community Philanthropy

Several years ago, community leaders in Ouray County launched the Ouray County Community Fund (OCCF). Thanks to a special partnership with Citizens State Bank, OCCF doubled the amount of grant funding distributed to local nonprofits in 2018.

Doug Price, President of Citizens State Bank, observes, “We’ve always been seen as a community bank that gives back to its community through financial donations and encouraging our employees to volunteer. This was very much a commitment of previous Bank President, Dave Wood, and we want to carry on his tradition by working in partnership with the Community Foundation – an organization Dave helped start 21 years ago and supported very generously.”

Members of the Ouray County Community Fund deliver a grant check to one of 23 organizations receiving funding. A total of $40,000 in grant funding was distributed in 2018 through the local community fund.

Local Community Funds
Giving Back to the Place We Call Home

Local Community Funds are truly a hallmark of our place-based giving mission. These funds are established by people who live in a defined community (a town or a county in western Colorado) who raise funds through special events and individual donations. A local committee then reviews grant requests and distributes funds to local nonprofits.

Our Community Foundation is committed to building the number of Local Community Funds by providing initial grant funds and staff support to bolster local efforts. We also provide back office administration, from grants administration and planned giving expertise to endowment investment. A representative from each Local Community Fund serves on our regional board and provides input and perspective for the seven-county region we serve. In 2018 we launched the West Elk Community Fund (serving the North Fork in Delta County) and the San Juan County Community Fund (serving Silverton).

These funds are great vehicles to encourage and inspire local philanthropy and give back to the communities that many people care about the most – their home!
The North Fork Valley of Delta County is known for locally-owned farms and orchards and farm-to-table restaurants. Now they have their own home-grown community fund.

The idea for the West Elk Community Fund to benefit the communities of Hotchkiss, Crawford and Paonia was hatched around the kitchen table of long-time WCCF donor, Elaine Brett. “We have lots of community-minded people who love living here, and great nonprofits that need financial support. We don’t have a United Way or any private foundations. We are excited to create our own vehicle to promote local philanthropy and partner with WCCF to manage our funds and provide administrative support to our grantmaking. Local grants – even in small amounts – can make important projects happen in our community.”

In its first year of funding, the West Elk Community Fund distributed $21,600 in grants to 21 local organizations, including Solar Energy International for solar classroom sets for North Fork elementary schools, Families Plus to expand programs in the North Fork and A Little Help North Fork to help seniors stay in their homes.

Mary Rebeck moved to Hotchkiss 50 years ago after marrying her husband, Andy, a western Colorado native. Mary will celebrate her 100th birthday soon and was pleased to make a generous donation to the West Elk Community Fund.

Mary Rebeck and her late husband lived in Hotchkiss for decades, after meeting halfway around the world in Arabia.

“I love Hotchkiss. I have lived here half of my life. The local community fund allows me to support things that make life better here for all of us.”
Harmony Defined: The Pleasing Arrangement of Parts
New Partnership with the Grand Junction Symphony Foundation

Many people point to the Grand Junction Symphony as an extra special asset to have in a community the size of Grand Junction. Made up of dozens of local musicians, the symphony orchestra puts on a full schedule of concerts each year including classical, chamber, and popular music programs. A separate organization, the Grand Junction Symphony Foundation, raises funds and is building an endowment to provide permanent funding to the symphony orchestra. In 2018, our Community Foundation became the endowment partner for the Symphony Foundation. Not only do we provide investment management and oversight of the Symphony Foundation’s assets, we are sharing our expertise in planned giving to help organize and expand their legacy society. All three organizations work together – in harmony – to build a secure financial future for this beloved institution.

In celebration of the Symphony Foundation’s 25th anniversary year, our Community Foundation issued a one-time challenge match. Friends of the Symphony Foundation not only raised but exceeded the $25,000 goal – adding a total of $68,000 to their endowment.

For the 40th anniversary year of the Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra, the Dave and Mary Wood Fund provided generous support to the first opera production in the local orchestra’s history.

Dave Wood loved opera, having been exposed to it as a teenager when he worked as an usher at Central City Opera. The Woods were generous patrons of the musical arts during their lifetimes. Kelly Anderson, Executive Director of the Symphony Orchestra and a baritone performer in The Magic Flute, noted “We simply could not have put on our first production of an opera without the generosity of the Dave and Mary Wood Fund. Thank you!”
Honoring Mike and Debbie Berry
Kids Aid Establishes Endowment to Recognize Founders’ Contributions

Over ten years ago, Mike Berry founded the Kids Aid Backpack Program after an encounter with a crying child who was hungry. Moved to do something to address childhood hunger, he started delivering Friday backpacks with food supplies to last a child through the weekend. The program grew quickly from 40 children at one school site to 2,000 weekly bags of weekend food distributed through every school in D51. The board of Kids Aid surprised Mike at his retirement party with the creation of a permanent endowment in his and his wife’s honor.

Our Community Foundation manages over 40 agency and designated endowments for nonprofit organizations. We provide value-added services related to building and managing permanent funds supporting these organizations. Endowments help diversify a nonprofit organization’s funding streams and provide a vehicle for loyal donors to leave an end-of-life gift.

Agency Funds
Child and Migrant Services
Colorado Northwestern Community College
Colorado West Land Trust
District 51 Foundation
Grand Junction Symphony Foundation
Grand Valley Audubon Society
Grand Valley Historical Society
Grand Valley/Parachute Kiwanis Club Foundation
Hilltop Community Services
HopeWest
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
Kids Aid
MarillacHealth
Mesa County Partners
Messiah Choral Society
Mount of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Ouray County Performing Arts Guild
Roice-Hurst Humane Society
Sharing Ministries
Sozo Youth Foundation
Two Rivers Community Foundation
United Way of Mesa County
Valley View Hospital Foundation
YouthZone Foundation

In 2018 we worked with Roice-Hurst and other nonprofits to set up agency endowments.
Suicide is Not the Answer
New Funding for Awareness, Education and Prevention

With the recent dissolution of the Suicide Prevention Alliance, our Community Foundation now manages an endowed fund for suicide awareness, education, and prevention. The Suicide Prevention and Awareness Fund will target projects that train teachers and small employers to recognize the warning signs of suicide, promote kindness and anti-bullying and resilience measures for youth, and raise awareness about the prevalence of suicide in our communities.

Colorado has one of the highest suicide rates in the nation and Mesa County has one of the highest rates in Colorado at 34.7 per 100,000 - nearly triple the nation’s rate. All ages in our community are affected by this issue and nearly half of all suicide attempts were among individuals younger than 30 years old.

A Chance to Succeed
Genevieve Clough Legacy Has Growing Impact

Genevieve Clough of Rifle passed away a decade ago but her commitment to education lives on through her charitable legacy. In the ten years since she established the Genevieve Clough Scholarship Fund, over 325 students have received scholarship funding totaling $3.2 million from our Community Foundation and a similar amount of funding from our partner, CMC Foundation.

Mrs. Clough was passionate about making college education accessible to all, especially those students who were the first in their families to attend college. “I want to provide these young people a chance to succeed. Education is that pathway and that chance to make something of yourself.”

Sarah K. is one of hundreds of students who attended college thanks to the generosity of Genevieve Clough.

Field of Interest Funds

Donors can set up a fund to support a favorite issue or cause. Our Community Foundation will advertise the availability of funding, administer a process to solicit project proposals, and distribute available funds each year in support of the donors’ interests. Donors can serve on the grant selection committee. Please give us a call to learn more, (970) 243-3767.

Our Community Foundation manages 37 different scholarship funds and last year awarded almost $765,000 in scholarship support to 304 students.
Leave a Legacy
Evelyn and Glen Haley Fund Supports Donors’ Favorite Causes

Evelyn Haley spent her childhood in Paonia and graduated from the local high school. While she spent the majority of her life in California, Evelyn moved back to western Colorado in 1999 to be closer to family. Living modestly during her lifetime, Evelyn drove the same car for almost 20 years and did not buy fancy clothes. Generous throughout her life, Evelyn had confided to her sister that she wanted to keep giving after she had passed away.

Evelyn did not have heirs and left the bulk of her estate to our Community Foundation, setting up a three-part endowment fund to support her favorite causes: (1) victims of domestic abuse, neglected and disadvantaged women; (2) arts, culture, education, and literacy; and (3) homeless and neglected domestic pets. This generous legacy gift is especially appreciated as our organization has limited funds for arts and culture programs. Evelyn’s husband, Glen, was a high school English teacher and he had written two novels; literacy and libraries were near and dear to his heart.

A legacy gift to our Community Foundation can be directed by the donor and used to support favorite organizations and causes long after the donor’s lifetime. For more information on legacy giving and charitable endowments, please contact us at (970) 243-3767.

WCCF Legacy Society

We recognize and appreciate the many community-minded people who have made provisions for a gift to our Community Foundation in their estate plans.

Liane Abrams
Dale and Donna Albertson
Dave Armlovich
Tillie and Pat Bishop
Roger and Janet Blind
Dee Blue
John Breckinridge
Elaine and Jim Brett
Bill and Rouene Brown
Lynn (Gus) Brownston
Bernie and Mary Beth Buescher
David Butler
Ed and Barb Chamberlin
Rod and Nina Christ
Genevieve Clough* 
Lulu Colby
Anita Cox and Bill Ekstrand
Bob and Kate Denning
Anne Devine and Ray Cozzens
Bruce Dixson*
Mike and Mary Doring
Norman Dorsey
Rich and Martie Edwards
Adele Filener
Peggy Foster*
William and Kathleen Frey
Jan and Mike Gage
Evelyn Haley*
Cheryl and Gordon Hebrestreit
Steven Hilbert and Phyllis Stephens
Tom and Sue Hillhouse
Quincy Hines
Laura Horan
Tom Huerkamp
Eric S. Johnson*
Russel and Dorothy Johnson*
Doug and Laura Johnston
Samuel and Lana Kevan
Don and Shirley Kramer
Stan and Pam Lochrie*
Sheila Maki
Dennis and Alice McCary
Charles David McKean*
Jim and Fran McKinney
Carol Minion
Richard Moore and Sharon Riegel
Virginia Reed Moore*
David and Crystal O’Connor Murphy
Karen Nicholson
Mardell Niles*
Doug and Becky Noble
Brian and Joyce Olson
John and Verda Patterson
Romagean Personne
Wendell (Del) and Nancy Petty
Gary and Kathy Pfeuer
Gregg and Sandy Pietak
Frank and Josephine Prinster*
Joe and Del Prinster
Tony and Sally Prinster
Bill and Wanda Putnam
Charlie Quimby and Susan Cushman
Jane Quimby*
Fred and Susan Rainguet
Perry Rashleigh*
Grace Roberts
Dorothy Ross*
Kay Sather
Al and Jean Schiesswohl
William Selden
Robert Shales
Verne and Diana Smith
Roger and Sharon Sollenbarger
Charlie and Vicci Spencer
John Sprendrup
LaVerne Starbuck
Thelma Starner
Helen Stenmark
Jim and Melissa Sullivan
Hal, Mary and Norma Sundin
Pam Szédei
Steve and Wendy Vanderhoof
Ellen Jo Waideck*
Jack and Lorraine Walker
Steve and Lenna Watson
Bill Welch and Laurae Fortner Welch
Anne Wenzel and David Miller
George Wheeler
Jim and Debbie Widdows
Dixie Lew Williams*
Felice Williams*
Harry Willson
Nancy T. Wilson
Dave and Mary Wood*
Anonymous (32)

*Denotes a planned gift that has matured
These are individuals who have informed WCCF of their intentions. We do not mean to omit any names. If you have made plans for a future gift and would like to be recognized as a member of our Legacy Society, or would like more information about planning a charitable legacy gift, please call (970) 243-3767.
Grants and Distributions

In 2018, our Community Foundation awarded $2.7 million in grants and distributions. Listed below are the western Colorado-based organizations throughout our seven county region who received funding over $1,000.

A Kidz Clinic
A Little Help North Fork
Advocate Safehouse Project
Alano of Grand Junction
American Red Cross/Western Colorado
Avalon Theatre Foundation
Birthright of Grand Junction
Black Canyon Animal Sanctuary
Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club
Blue Sage Center for the Arts
Boy Scouts/Western Colorado
Carbondale Community School
CASE of the 7th Judicial District
Cats League and Assistance of the Western Slope
Cedaredge Community Gardens
Child and Migrant Services
Clifton Christian Church
Colorado Canyons Association
Colorado Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs
Colorado Discover Ability
Colorado Farm to Table
Colorado Mesa University Foundation
Colorado National Monument Association
Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association
Colorado West Land Trust
Common Ground Montrose – Kids Aid
Community Alliance Education & Hunger Relief
Community Food Bank
Conservation Colorado Education Fund
Counseling and Education Center
Creamery Arts Center
Delta Christian Church
Delta County School District 50J
Delta Food Pantry
Delta United Methodist Church
Desert Edge Therapy
District 51 Foundation
Eureka! McConnell Science Museum
Families Plus
First Christian Church
First United Methodist Church
Friends of the Wright Opera House
Fruita Monument High School
Garfield School District RE-2
Girl Scouts/Western Colorado
Girls on the Run of the Grand Valley
GJ MakerSpace
Glennwood Springs High School
Grand Junction Imagination Library
Grand Junction Rotary Club Foundation
Grand Junction Symphony Foundation
Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra
Grand Mesa Arts and Events Center
Grand River Hospital District Senior Meals
Grand Valley Catholic Outreach
Grand Valley Historical Society
Grand Valley Peace & Justice
Grand Valley Pets Alive
Habitat for Humanity of Mesa County
Harmony Acres Equestrian Center
High Country News
Hilltop Community Resources
Holy Family Catholic School
Homeward Bound of the Grand Valley
Hope of the Grand Valley
HopeWest
IHIM Church
Joseph Center
Juniper Ridge Community School
KAFM Radio
Karis/The House
Kids Aid
Koinonia Church
League of Women Voters of Mesa County
Learning Council
Lift-Up
Log Hill Mesa Fire Protection District
Loma Cat House
Lutheran Church and School of the Messiah
Marillac Health
Mesa County Department of Human Services
Mesa County Partners
Mesa County Public Library Foundation
Mesa County School District 51
Middle Colorado Watershed Council
Mind Springs Health
Museum of Western Colorado
MusicSpark!
National MS Society/Colorado Chapter
Needlerock Family Health Outreach Clinic
Neighbor to Neighbor
North Fork Ambulance Association
North Fork Montessori
North Fork School of Integrated Studies
Operation Revamp/Veterans Art Center
Our Community Foundation/Eagle County
Ouray Climbers Alliance
Ouray County Historical Society
Ouray County Performing Arts Guild
Ouray County Ranch History Museum
Ouray Library District
Ouray Mountain Rescue Team
Ouray Mountain Trail Run
Palisade High School
Reach-Out Colorado
Ridgway Chautauqua Society
Ridgway Railroad Museum
Rifle Animal Shelter
River Center of New Castle
Riverside Educational Center
Rocky Mountain PBS
Roice-Hurst Humane Society
Salvation Army
Schneegas Wildlife Foundation
Sharing Ministries
Six Basins Project
Ski & Snowboard Club Vail
Solar Energy International
Sopris Barracudas
SOS Outreach
St. Mary’s Family Residency Program
St. Mary’s Hospital Foundation
STRIVE
Suicide Prevention Foundation
Surface Creek Community Services
Surface Creek Valley Historical Society
Technical College of the Rockies
Top of the Pines
Uncompaghre Watershed Partnership
Unitarian Universalist Congregation
United Way of Mesa County
Upstart Theater That Moves
Valley Valley Salvation Army
Valley Organic Growers Association
Volunteers of America
Voyager Youth Program
Weehawken Creative Arts
West Middle School
Western Colorado Center for the Arts
Western Colorado Alliance
Western Slope Center for Children
Western Slope Food Bank of the Rockies
Western Slope Conservation Center
Young Life – Delta
YouthZone

Field of Interest Funds
Mary Catherine Gallarnau Blue
Brownson Memorial
Conservation/Outdoor Recreation/Environment (CORE)
Bruce Dixon
Glen and Evelyn Haley
Hope Haven
Karen’s Animal Care
Stan and Pam Lochtie
Dave McKeans
Jerry Rasleigh
Dorothy Ross
Kay and Jack Sibold
Suicide Prevention and Awareness of Western Colorado
WSSA Youth Recreation
Janice M. Yarbrough

Scholarship Funds
Ray Armstrong
Eugene and Evelyn Banks
Tilman and Pat Bishop
Jean M. Blue
Caddo
Genevieve Clough
Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative
CNCC/Don and Thelma Boyd
CNCC/Derrance Hoey
CNCC/Albin Salton
Edith May Cox
Dorothy Crousen
Weldon Crousen
Delta County School District
Didrickson-Niles
Fresh Start
Fruita Rotary/Marge Miller
Fruita Rotary/Mike and Felicia Williams
Laura R. Genelin
Lew Goodhart
Nick and Linda Hartel
Hazelbaker
Anna Lee Janowitz
Leitzinger-Hallenbeck
Fred and Ruby MacKendrick
Jason Manspeaker
Mastin-Virgona
Richard W. McGuire Jr.
David Moore
Natural Soda
Thomas Ward Osborne
Bill Patterson
Kathy Pippenger
Richard W. Pippenger
Plateau Valley
Andrew and Mary Rebeck
Lena Sammons Reed
Rifle Community Foundation
Stanton
Stewart/Watson/Wheeler
Faye Shofer Tally
TCR/Roger Coursey
TCR/Owen and Ruth Hill
TCR/Horizon
TCR/Ronald N. Nelson Jr.
Eldon E. and Ruth N. Veirs
Waldeck Nursing
Jeanette Wilkinson
Willson Education
Dave and Mary Wood
J. Robert Young
Donor Advised Funds and Donors

Admire Family
Dale and Donna Albertson
Liz Armstrong
Colby and Leslie Barrett
Thomas B. Beard
Peter Bergh
Bray Cares
Elaine and Jim Brett
Bud and Phyllis Brownson
Mary Beth and Bernie Buescher
Chaucny
Lulu Colby
Conrado Family
Jerry and Dorothy Cook
Anita Cox
Darlene Cox
Bob and Kate Denning
Norm Dorney
Bill and Shirley Ela
Farley Family
Herbert and Kathleen McGinniss-Feinzig
Georgia Finnigan
Ruth and Pat Gormley
Grand Junction Lions Club
Timothy Hackett
Kenneth Heitt
Susan and Thomas Hillhouse
Hoffman Family
Laura Horan
Helen B. Christensen Howe
Lynn and Patricia James
Dorothy and Russel Johnson
Elizabeth Jones
Phil and Melissa Jones
Chris and Connie Jouflas
KELLYBROOK
Revan Family
Kriz Family
Rick and Linda Levine
Lummis Family
Relly James Markham
Linda Grace McBride
McCary Family
William G. McGowen
George B. McKinley Family
Dr. Tom Melzer
Carol C. Minion
Dave and Crystal Murphy

Tom and Jean Paradis
Harold and Margaret Porter
Anthony F. and Sally L. Prinster
Frank J. and Josephine R. Prinster
Kevin R. Prinster
Charlie Quimby and Susan Cushman
Jane Quimby Family
Aldo and Sara Radamus
Reed Family
Kim Richardson
Ridgley Family
Kay Sarher

Tom Schultz
Amy Largent Schunter
Scofield Family
Scruby Brothers
“See A Need”
Douglas Shawcroft
Roger and Rita Shenkel
Verne and Diana Smith
Larry and Deb Sullivan
Tim and Irene Sullivan
Pam Seideley
J. J. and I. B. Uri

Vanderhoof Family
Vostatek Family
Jack and Lorraine Walker
Alexandra and India Wanebo
Mike and Marian Wanebo
Bill and LAurie Welch
Wenzel-Miller Family
Jim and Debbie Widdows
Wilson Family
Nancy T. Wilson
Dave and Mary Wood
Kenneth K. Yata

Designated Funds and Donors

Dale and Donna Albertson/Center for Children
Bacon Family/NSTAR
Jim and Mercedes Beck/First UMC
Jesse and Elizabeth Boyle/Mesa Public Library & Land Trust
Ed and Barbara Chamberlin
Jerry Cook/Garfield CO Veterans Memorial
Delta County School District 50/Nature Connection
Bob and Kate Denning/Avon Theatre
Bruce Dixon/Salvation Army
Ed and Frannie Ellinwood/St. Mary’s Residency Program
Dave and Sherry Farney/Grand Junction Symphony
Georgia Finnigan
Peggy Foster/Art Center
Fresh Starts/Grand Valley Catholic Outreach
Glenwood Springs Kiwanis Club Foundation
Grand Junction Rotary Club Foundation
Grand Valley Catholic Outreach
Elizabeth B. Harris/Roige-Hurst Humane Society
Holy Family Catholic School
Stephen and Anita Nickels Johnson/Botanical Gardens
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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Statement of Financial Position (as of December 31, 2018)

ASSETS
- Cash and investments: $64,456,662
- Mineral rights: $6,877,745
- Beneficial interest in trusts: $2,924,777
- Other assets: $252,017
TOTA L ASSETS $74,511,201

LIABILITIES
- Accounts payable and accrued expenses: $156,628
- Note and interest payable: $500,000
- Agency funds: $2,905,169
TOTA L LIABILITIES $3,561,797

NET ASSETS
- NET ASSETS $70,949,404
- TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS $74,511,201

Statement of Activities (for year ended December 31, 2018)

REVENUE
- Contributions: $3,985,388
- Other income: $24,420
TOTA L REVENUE $4,009,808

GRANTS AND EXPENSES
- Grants: $3,390,981
- Other program expenses: $434,933
- Supporting services: $426,307
TOTA L GRANTS AND EXPENSES $4,252,221

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS
- Change in net assets from operations: $(242,413)
- Net Return on Investments: $(5,868,586)
TOTA L INCREASE IN NET ASSETS $(6,110,999)

Net Assets, Beginning of Year: $77,060,403
Net Assets, End of Year: $70,949,404

This summary Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Activities is taken from an independent audit for 2018. The full audit and other financial and investment performance information is available on our website.

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TOTAL ASSETS BY FUND TYPE
- Donor Advised: 30%
- Designated: 29%
- Scholarship: 18%
- Field of Interest: 16%
- Agency: 4%
- Discretionary: 2%
- Geographic: 1%

GRANTS BY PROGRAM AREA
- Human Services: 48%
- Education: 14%
- Health: 15%
- Environment: 8%
- Arts & Culture: 7%
- Animal Related: 5%
- Religion: 3%
- Community: 2%
A word about our logo...

The circle reflects a sense of community and our connectedness to others. The spiral reflects the power of endowment, a permanent gift that keeps on giving. The petroglyph symbolizes those who have been here before us and who have left their mark.

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