



THE GRAND REPORTER

Give Where You Live, Work and Play

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A GRAND PURPOSE The Grand Foundation is a philanthropic organization which seeks to improve the quality of life for residents and guests of Grand County in the areas of Health & Human Services, the Environment, Education, Amateur Sports and Arts & Culture. Since 1996, the Foundation has awarded nearly \$2 million to over 100 charitable Grand County agencies through the Annual Grants process. Combined with other Donor Advised Fund and Block Grant awards, almost \$4 million has been granted throughout the Grand Foundation's 15-year history.



GRAND COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS SMILE IN SHOW OF SINCERE GRATITUDE

Big Grant Checks are presented to local non-profit agencies through the Sprout Foundation Fund, a fund of the Grand Foundation. An extra special thank you goes to Bob (center photo, right) & Suzanne Fanch for their generous support of the Grand County community.

2011 GRAND GALA SUCCESS

The Grand Foundation, the Grand Gala Committee and Devil's Thumb Ranch provided an enchanted evening for the *10th Annual Grand Gala*. This year the black-tie fundraiser brought out the who's who of Grand County philanthropists as guests celebrated and meandered through the sprawling ranch setting, enjoying varying gourmet menus, lively music and alluring silent auction items. With 384 guests in attendance, the evening raised nearly \$93,000. Grand County Search and Rescue and Cliffview Assisted Living were chosen as secondary beneficiaries of this year's Grand Gala proceeds.

SPOTLIGHT ON GALA BENEFICIARIES

Grand County Search and Rescue is an all-volunteer team of dedicated professional rescuers. GCSAR's mission is to serve the residents and guests of Grand County by providing year-round backcountry search and rescue services. GCSAR volunteer members respond to emergency calls at all times, day and night, giving of themselves to help others in need.

Cliffview Assisted Living is located in the friendly community of Kremmling, Colorado. Cliffview is the only assisted living residence serving Grand, Summit and Jackson Counties. Cliffview encourages personal independence and choice with a sense of safety and well-being. Personalized service is offered by caring and experienced staff 24 hours a day. At Cliffview, the staff does the work and the residents enjoy living!

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SAVE THE DATE
Devil's Thumb Ranch
Winemaker's Dinner
November 12th

C Lazy U
Holiday Gala
December 3rd

Colorado Gives Day
December 6th

DID YOU KNOW?

Every year the Grand Foundation raises funds for the Annual Grants program through the Grand Pass Program. Proceeds from this cornerstone fundraiser, in combination with three annual Grand Foundation events, corporate sponsorships, and individual donations, have benefited over 100 local non-profit and charitable organizations with nearly \$2 million in grant awards. Along with its own Annual Grants program, the Grand Foundation houses and administers several Donor Advised Funds and Town and County Block Grants. In total, the Grand Foundation has granted almost \$4 million to the Grand County community over the past 15 years.

2011 DONOR ADVISED FUND SUMMARY

G.A.P. (Grand Activities and Programs) Fund

The Grand Foundation and the Winter Park/Fraser Valley Chamber of Commerce are pleased to continue fundraising efforts for the Grand Foundation's G.A.P. Fund for Youth donor advised fund. This fund is available to Grand County youth (18 and under) to help provide a financial means to participate in non-academic activities and programs by assisting with participation fees. The G.A.P. Fund is designed to target a section of funding for youth that has not been sufficiently addressed in our local communities.

Since the inception of this fund in 2010, over \$23,000 has been granted.

EGEFF (East Grand Education Foundation Fund)

In 2007, the Grand Foundation assumed the mission of the East Grand Education Foundation. This Fund is for the teachers in the East Grand School District (EGSD). The mission of the East Grand Education Foundation Fund is to provide alternative funding for educational opportunities for students enrolled in the East Grand School District.

The criteria for this fund are:

- New and/or innovative project
- Enhances an existing educational project/program
- Improves core curriculum
- Fosters relationships between the community and students/school

Since 2007 the Fund has granted over \$70,000 to EGSD teachers.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2011 COLORADO GIVES DAY: 24 HOURS TO GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE

The Grand Foundation is celebrating our 15-year anniversary, and as difficult economic times continue to challenge our local community, the Foundation is actively seeking new avenues of fundraising on behalf of Grand County's nonprofit organizations. This year, we're very excited about the opportunity to join the Community First Foundation and FirstBank for the second annual **Colorado Gives Day** - an initiative to increase philanthropy in Colorado through on-line giving. The Grand Foundation is proud to join this program as the only nonprofit organization in Grand County participating in this year's event. A lot of hard work went into preparing and qualifying the Foundation for inclusion in this initiative. We are hopeful that everyone in the community will come together on Tuesday, December 6th, for **24 Hours to Give Where You Live, Work and Play**. In addition, the Colorado Gives Day Incentive Fund boosts the value of each donation made during this designated 24-hour period.

The need in Grand County has never been greater. Log on to www.givingfirst.org/cogivesday on December 6th, 2011 and make a donation by designating the Grand Foundation as your **Colorado Gives Day** nonprofit of choice. Giving to the Grand Foundation means your donation dollars go farther, benefiting the entire Grand County nonprofit community. Every contribution helps!

Megan A. Ledin, Executive Director

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KAREN VANCE ORIGINAL ARTWORK

Local artist Karen Vance has generously donated her valuable time and incredible talents to the Grand Foundation. Karen's original oil painting titled 'A Grand View' will be won by one lucky ticketholder at next year's Grand Gala. Please contact the Grand Foundation for your chance at this one-of-a-kind treasure.