



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF TETON VALLEY



**2024 IMPACT REPORT**

Dear Friend,

**Thank you** for making 2024 a strong run! From a record-breaking Tin Cup to over 1,000 people appreciating our Nonprofit Community Space — you make it all possible. We're proud to have played a pivotal role in our nonprofit community's success through this year's Tin Cup Challenge program. Your support made the accomplishment of \$3.37 million for local organizations possible!

Additionally, the Community Foundation has been honored to share our space and network to connect passionate donors, key stakeholders, and leaders in times of community need such as in the case of early learning childcare, 5<sup>th</sup> day programming, and the Teton Pass closure. Your trust allows us to move quickly, convene partners, solicit necessary funds, and grant readily in emergent situations.

Thank you for instilling your trust, your dollars, and your sense of community with us. Your support is generosity in action.

Sincerely,



**Bonnie Self**  
*Executive Director*



**Scott Pierson**  
*Board Chair*



## TIN CUP CHALLENGE

### GRANTS

- Competitive
- Youth Philanthropy
- Opportunity

### NONPROFIT RESOURCES

- Workshops
- Conference Room
- Equipment Lending

### COMMUNITY CATALYST

### IMPACTFUL INVESTING

# TIN CUP CHALLENGE



**Thank You!**

**Philanthropy in Action** — Thanks to your participation, the 17th Annual Tin Cup Challenge was an amazing success for local nonprofits. The unparalleled collaboration behind this unique, annual fundraiser repeatedly lays the foundation for a shared vision of our community and illustrates the benefits and progress we can make when nonprofit sectors and the community work together. Our entire locale benefits when we run as one.



**\$3.37 million** raised in support of local nonprofits — 19% more than last year.

**1,355 Donors** made over **5,800 gifts** during the Giving Period.

**282 Challengers & 40 Friends** provided a **56%** Match Grant to **61 nonprofits**.

Nonprofits raised **\$2.2 million** in direct gifts, a 26% increase.

In 17 years, you have helped raise nearly **\$27 million** benefiting local organizations.

# GRANTS — COMPETITIVE

## Granting for Community Benefit —

Your commitment to the Community Foundation ensures critical community issues are addressed annually. This year, the Foundation thoughtfully awarded \$80,000 directly to local organizations in support of programs and projects that elevate lives across all sectors of Teton Valley. By backing the Foundation, you fund projects today that support the future of these organizations and their dedicated programing in the years to come.

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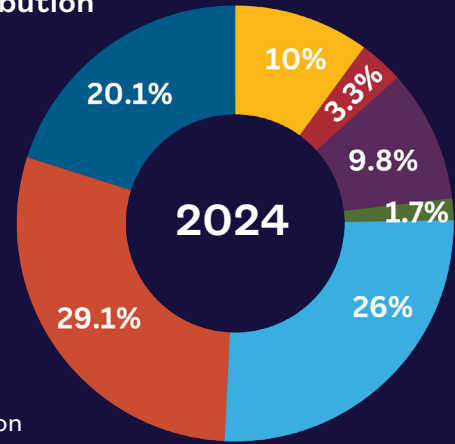
**The Future of Giving** — After thorough discussion over three class periods, Teton High School Seniors granted \$7,000 in awards to their carefully chosen nonprofit proposals.

“*I really appreciate all of our donors to this program. Trusting a bunch of high schoolers with this much money can't be easy, but I am thankful I got to have such an important experience!*”

— Participating Senior

## Total Grant Distribution \$127,000

- Animal Rescue
- Arts & Culture
- Civic & Service
- Education
- Conservation & Environment
- Health & Human Services
- Sports & Recreation



**Grant in Action** — Valley of the Teton Library was awarded a \$7,500 grant to help expand services county-wide to include Teton. Their efforts produced a nonprofit merger and expanded their work to inspire lifelong learning, encourage exploration and creativity, and enrich lives across the valley.

# OPPORTUNITY FUND

## Obstacles Become Opportunities —

When Teton Valley falls on hard times, our neighbors show up. Your support allowed us to quickly grant \$40,000 to crisis situations like the Teton Pass closure, early learning childcare, and 5<sup>th</sup> day programming.

““ Through an award from the Opportunity Fund, the Teton Valley Food Pantry swiftly addressed the Teton Pass failure by setting up a pop-up pantry in Victor for overwhelmed commuters. This initiative provided locals with the chance to grab ready-to-eat meals and groceries to ease financial and time constraints, as well as receive moral support during this challenging and unexpected crisis.”



— Sue Heffron, Executive Director  
Teton Valley Food Pantry

# NONPROFIT RESOURCES

- Workshops
- E.D. Exchange (monthly)
- Support, Encouragement, Collaboration, & Best Practices
- Nonprofit Community Space
- Event Equipment Lending
- Nonprofit Directory
- Volunteer Bulletin Board
- Nonprofit Job Board
- Nonprofit Library
- Sponsorships

## BY THE NUMBERS

Workshop Attendees	256
Conference Room Patrons	1,300
Newsgroup Subscribers	272
Workshop Subsidies	\$5K
Equipment Rental Savings	\$32K
Conference Room Savings	\$12K

**TOTAL NONPROFIT SAVINGS** **\$49K**

““ I truly cannot express how vital Tin Cup funds are for our organization. Tin Cup allows us to retain our incredible staff with competitive salaries, provides funds for emergencies, like kitchen appliance repair, and helps us face utility bills with ease. Life has gotten expensive — the Senior Center is no exception.”

— Allie Mollenkof, Executive Director  
Seniors West of the Tetons



# COMMUNITY CATALYST

**Influential Convening** — Your support allows the Community Foundation to facilitate collective impact and address critical community needs like early learning childcare, 5<sup>th</sup> day programming, and the Teton Pass closure in a timely and proactive fashion.

“*The Community Foundation’s partnership, valuable workshops, and support have been vital to the success of the Collaborative’s work to address our community’s child care crisis. They have been supportive every step of the process, from the formation of the Collaborative, to becoming a nonprofit, to being an accessible resource, and helping us with a rewarding Tin Cup. Thanks to the Foundation’s help, as well as our other community partners, we happily opened doors to a new center for early care and learning in Teton Valley within two years of our first meeting!*”

— Kristi Meston, Executive Director  
Teton Valley Collaborative for Early Learning



**Gambal House** — This generously donated home was moved to Main Street in Driggs to address the local childcare crisis.

## AWARD HIGHLIGHT



**Dawn Banks Nonprofit Leadership** — Emily Bilcher, Executive Director of Family Safety Network, was recognized for her passionate dedication and tenure. The honor comes with a plaque and a \$1,000 grant to her crucial, hardworking organization.

# IMPACTFUL INVESTING

- Donor-Advised Funds
- Endowment & Agency Funds
- Memorial Funds
- Scholarship Funds
- Legacy Giving
- Connect with Causes

**A Culture of Giving** — When you invest with the Community Foundation of Teton Valley you support the foundation of our community. Whether starting your first Donor-Advised Fund, establishing a scholarship, or ensuring your legacy, the Community Foundation is here to connect you with the causes you care about and make giving easy.

“*As long-time supporters of the Tin Cup Challenge, Ron Weston and Margie Singleton shared a true love for the beauty and community of Teton Valley. The Ron Weston and Margie Singleton Memorial Fund continues their legacy of generosity and helps so many important causes into the future.*”

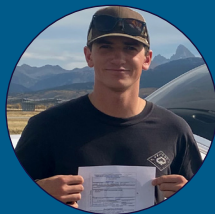
— *The Weston Family*  
*Donor-Advised Fundholders*



**Leave a Lasting Impact** — Legacy giving ensures your values and passions live on for future generations. By including a gift to the Community Foundation in your will or estate, you help secure a brighter future for Teton Valley.



SCHOLARSHIP  
HIGHLIGHT



“*I am extremely grateful to have this opportunity. Receiving the Blake Chapman Flight Scholarship, means I can get a jump start on my career in aviation. I feel lucky my parents discovered Teton Valley all those years ago and we now get to be part of such a supportive and giving community.*”

— George Markoff, 2024 Awardee

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Your support provides a  
foundation for nonprofits,  
donors, and community  
members to stand on.



**Thank You!**