EL POMAR FOUNDATION

May 2021 Regional Grant Announcements

The following document is a collection of nine press releases sent by El Pomar Foundation to media outlets in rural regions across Colorado in June 2021. The press releases highlight grants approved at El Pomar’s May 2021 Trustee meeting.

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For more information about El Pomar’s grant making, please visit our website or contact Erin Hannan, Vice President of Communications, with specific questions about these announcements at ehanan@elpomar.org.
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El Pomar Foundation approves $362,500 to nonprofits in the Central Peaks region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 30, 2021—Grant funding of $362,500 will support the work of nonprofits in the Central Peaks region. El Pomar Trustees approved $362,500 allocated to 17 nonprofit organizations in the Central Peaks region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Loaves and Fishes Ministries of Fremont County — $50,000 for expansion project; competitive
- Park County Department of Human Services of Fairplay — $50,000 for mental health services and coaching; regional council
- Boys and Girls Club of Fremont County, Inc. — $30,000 for youth advisory board and mental health vouchers; regional council
- Buena Vista School District R-31 — $30,000 for mental health professionals and wraparound services; regional council
- Fremont RE-1 School District of Cañon City — $30,000 for summer programs; regional council
- Rocky Mountain Rural Health, Inc. of Fairplay — $30,000 for vaccine distribution and mental health programs; regional council
- Salida School District R-32J — $30,000 for Horizons Exploratory High School mental health professional; regional council
- West Central Mental Health Center, Inc. of Cañon City — $30,000 for general operating support; regional council
- Chaffee County — $20,000 for public health department mental health programming; regional council
- Crystal Mountain Center for Performing Arts of Westcliffe — $10,000 for general operating support; regional council
- North London Mill Preservation, Inc. of Alma — $10,000 for Mill office rehabilitation and preservation; competitive
- Valley Assisted Living, Inc. of Silver Cliff — $10,000 for general operating support; regional council
- Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation, Inc. of Westcliffe — $10,000 for Custer County Kids council general operating support; regional council
- Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Community Service, Inc. of Westcliffe — $10,000 for general operating support; regional council
- Colorado Farm to Table Inc. of Salida — $5,000 for general operating support; competitive
- Custer County School District C-1 of Westcliffe — $5,000 for general operating support; regional merit
- Middle Way of Fairplay — $2,500 for therapeutic horsemanship program; regional merit
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El Pomar Foundation approves $20,500 to nonprofits in the High Country region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—July 1, 2021—Grant funding of $20,500 will support the work of nonprofits in the High Country Region. El Pomar Trustees approved $20,500 allocated to four nonprofit organizations in the High Country region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Betty Ford Alpine Gardens of Vail — $10,000 for education center rooftop trellis expansion; competitive
- YouthPower365 of Avon — $5,000 for soccer program; Hybl fund
- Trio Therapy Partners of Eagle — $3,000 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck fund
- Aspen Strong of Aspen — $2,500 for general operating support; competitive

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The William J. Hybl Fund supports Olympic, Paralympic and youth sports. Bill Hybl, a lifetime public servant, has long been dedicated to amateur sport. Currently chairman of the United State Olympic Endowment, he believes the ideals of excellence, fair play and hard work are important for athletes as well as children.

The Sally Beck Fund supports organizations providing direct care to equines, therapeutic riding programs, equine education programs, and equine-related disaster response programs.

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El Pomar Foundation approves $71,000 to nonprofits in the North region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—July 1, 2021— Grant funding of $71,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the North region. El Pomar Trustees approved $71,000 allocated to 18 nonprofit organizations in the North region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Aims Community College Foundation of Greeley — $5,000 for prism program; regional merit
- Animal Friends Alliance of Fort Collins — $5,000 for general operating support; Hambrick fund
- Colorado Children’s Campaign, Inc. of Denver — $5,000 for general operating support in northern Colorado; regional merit
- Emergency Family Assistance Association, Inc. of Boulder — $5,000 for general operating support; competitive
- Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Boulder — $5,000 for general operating support; Hambrick fund
- Live the Victory, Inc. of Fort Collins — $5,000 for general operating support; regional merit
- Mujeres de Colores of Wellington — $5,000 for The Hand That Feeds sculpture; competitive
- North Colorado Health Alliance of Loveland — $5,000 for mental health resources; regional merit
- Project Self-Sufficiency of Loveland-Fort Collins — $5,000 for general operating support; regional merit
- The Colorado Youth Outdoors Charitable Trust of Fort Collins — $5,000 for general operating support; trustee regional merit
- United Way of Weld County, Inc. — $5,000 for food security; trustee regional merit
- Alternatives to Violence, Inc. of Loveland — $2,500 for general operating support; regional merit
- Arc of Weld County — $2,500 for general operating support; regional merit
- Inn Between of Longmont, Inc. — $2,500 for general operating support; trustee regional merit
- Life Stories Child & Family Advocacy of Greeley — $2,500 for general operating support; regional merit
- The Boys and Girls Clubs of Weld County, Inc. — $2,500 for general operating support; trustee regional merit
- Thompson R2-J Education Foundation of Loveland — $2,500 for Dr. Stan Scheer Memorial Student Opportunity Fund; regional merit
- Front-Porch Felines of Fort Lupton — $1,000 for general operating support; Hambrick fund

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El Pomar Foundation approves $50,000 to nonprofits in the Northeast region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—July 1, 2021— Grant funding of $50,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the Northeast Region. El Pomar Trustees approved $50,000 allocated to six nonprofit organizations in the Northeast region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Wray Community District Hospital — $30,000 for a 3D mammogram machine; competitive
- Sedgwick County Economic Development Corporation of Julesburg — $5,000 for general operating support; regional merit
- Yuma Museum — $5,000 for roof replacement; competitive
- Colorado State University Foundation of Fort Collins — $2,500 for Yuma County Extension Family 10-14 program; regional merit
- School District RE 2 J of Haxtun — $2,500 for work experience program at Haxtun High School; trustee regional merit
- Lone Star School District 101 of Otis — $2,500 for adulting 101 program; trustee regional merit
- Wray Community District Hospital — $2,500 for outdoor space for long-term facility; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves $42,500 to nonprofits in the Northwest region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—July 1, 2021— Grant funding of $42,500 will go to support the work of nonprofits in the Northwest region. El Pomar Trustees approved $42,500 allocated to six nonprofit organizations in the Northwest region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Town of Hayden — $25,000 for community center renovations; competitive
- Harmony Acres Equestrian Center of Fruita — $5,000 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- NorthWest Colorado Center for Independence of Steamboat — $5,000 for general operating support; competitive
- Colorado Discover Ability of Grand Junction — $2,500 for general operating support; competitive
- Doors 2 Success of Grand Junction — $2,500 for general operating support; competitive
- Housing Resources of Western Colorado of Grand Junction — $2,500 for homeless support in Montrose County; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves $117,500 to nonprofits in the San Juan region

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- CASA of the Seventh Judicial District, Inc. of Montrose — $80,000 for director of clinical services position; regional council
- Hinsdale County Historical Society of Lake City — $10,000 for railway car restoration; competitive
- The Pinhead Institute, Inc. of Telluride — $10,000 for internship program; competitive
- Dream Catcher Therapy center, Inc. of Olathe — $7,500 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- Chain of Love Corporation of Eckert — $2,500 for general operating support; competitive
- Friends of the Ute Indian Museum of Montrose — $2,500 for general operating support; regional merit
- North Fork Senior Connections of Paonia — $2,500 for general operating support; regional merit
- Rotary Club of the North Fork Valley Foundation, Inc. of Paonia — $2,500 for high school scholarships; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves $50,000 to nonprofit in the San Luis Valley region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—July 1, 2021— Grant funding of $50,000 will go to support the work of Care and Share, Inc. of Colorado Springs in the San Luis Valley region. El Pomar Trustees approved the $50,000 competitive grant at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting to support a new Alamosa warehouse.

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El Pomar Foundation approves $142,000 to nonprofits in the Southeast region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—July 1, 2021— Grant funding of $142,000 will go to support the work of nonprofits in the Southeast region. El Pomar Trustees approved $142,000 allocated to 10 nonprofit organizations in the Southeast region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Colorado State Fair Foundation of Pueblo — $60,000 for El Pomar Intern and Ambassador Program; competitive
- La Veta Village, Inc.— $25,000 for assisted living facility; competitive
- Bessemer Historical Society, Inc. of Pueblo — $15,000 for general operating support; competitive
- Southeastern Colorado Heritage Center of Pueblo — $12,000 for general operating support; competitive
- Blue Rose Ranch, Inc. of Springfield — $7,500 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- City of La Junta — $7,500 for historic structure assessment; competitive
- Colorado Coalition for the Homeless of Denver — $5,000 for soft landings program; competitive
- Mount Carmel Health, Wellness and Community Center of Trinidad — $5,000 for kids programs at Sister Blandina Gardens; regional merit
- Pueblo Zoological Society of Pueblo — $5,000 for animal training programs; Freda Hambrick Fund

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El Pomar Foundation approves $40,000 to nonprofits in the Southwest region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—July 1, 2021—Grant funding of $40,000 will go to support the work of nonprofits in the Southwest region. El Pomar Trustees approved $40,000 allocated to four nonprofit organizations in the Southwest region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Music in the Mountains, Inc. of Durango — $20,000 for general operating support; competitive
- Aspen Spring Metropolitan District of Pagosa Springs — $5,000 for Buttercup Water Depot well project; regional council
- Silverton School District — $5,000 for out of school programming and mental health support; regional merit
- United Way of Southwest Colorado of Durango — $5,000 for AmeriCorps position in Dolores County; regional merit
- Aspen Springs Metropolitan District of Pagosa Springs — $2,500 for general operating support; regional merit
- United Way of Southwest Colorado of Durango — $2,500 for Pagosa Outreach Connection general operating support; regional merit

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