



EL POMAR FOUNDATION

August 2022 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 August 2022. The press releases highlight grants approved at El Pomar's August 2022 Trustee meetings.

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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 ehannan@elpomar.org.

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$127,500 to nonprofits in the Central Peaks region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—October 4, 2022— Grant funding of \$127,500 will support the work of nonprofits in the Central Peaks region. El Pomar Trustees approved \$127,500 allocated to 18 nonprofit organizations and government entities in the Central Peaks region at the Foundation's August Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation's grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Achieve, Inc. (Buena Vista) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional council
- Alpine Achievers Initiative (Monte Vista) — \$10,000 for youth services in the Arkansas Valley and Park County; regional council
- Ark Valley Helping Hands (Salida) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional council
- Boys and Girls Club of South Park, Inc. (Fairplay) — \$20,000 in general operating support; regional council
- Chaffee County Department of Health and Human Services (Salida) — \$10,000 for Family & Youth Initiatives program; regional council
- Chaffee County Early Childhood Council, Inc. (Salida) — \$10,000 in general operating support; regional council
- elevateHER (Buena Vista) — \$5,000 in general operating support; regional council
- Green Thumb Initiative (Cañon City) — \$10,000 in general operating support; regional council
- Kindred Kids Child Advocacy Center (Cañon City) — \$10,000 in general operating support; regional council
- LeanIn1220, Inc. (Evergreen) — \$10,000 in Park County general operating support; regional council
- Loaves and Fishes Ministries of Fremont County (Cañon City) — \$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Park County Cares (Pine) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Park County Historical Society (Bailey) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- PeaceWorks, Inc. (Bailey) — \$10,000 in general operating support; regional council
- PeaceWorks, Inc. (Bailey) — \$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Senior Services Solutions Plus (Cañon City) — \$2,500 in general operating support; competitive
- Teller Park Early Childhood Council (Woodland Park) — \$5,000 in Park County general operating support; regional council
- West Custer County Library District (Westcliffe) — \$5,000 for new computers and network; competitive
- Wet Mt Valley Saddle Club, Inc. (Westcliffe) — \$5,000 for Country Strong Youth program; regional council

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$37,500 to nonprofits in the High Country region

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- A Way Out, Inc. (Aspen) — \$5,000 for addiction recovery engagement program; competitive
- Aspen Community Foundation (Basalt) — \$2,500 for Cradle to Career Initiative; Trustee regional merit
- Clear Creek County Advocates (Georgetown) — \$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Foresight Ski Guides, Inc. (Vail) — \$7,500 for summer and winter programs for visually impaired; Hybl Fund
- High Five Access Media (Avon) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Lake County School District R-1 (Leadville) — \$2,500 for Project Dream; Trustee regional merit
- Loaves & Fishes (Idaho Springs) — \$2,500 in general operating support; competitive
- St. George Episcopal Church (Leadville) — \$5,000 for community meals and food pantry; regional merit
- Summit County Family Resource Center (Silverthorne) — \$5,000 for Sol Center at Alta Verde; regional merit

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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.

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$324,000 to nonprofits in the North region

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- Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County (Fort Collins) — \$2,500 for youth mental health programming; Trustee merit
- Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County (Fort Collins) — \$27,500 for youth mental health programming; regional council
- Center for Family Outreach, Inc. (Fort Collins) — \$4,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Center for Family Outreach, Inc. (Fort Collins) — \$20,000 for youth mental health programming; regional council
- City of Longmont — \$12,500 for Longmont Youth Center mental health programs; regional council
- Coal Creek Adult Education Center (Lafayette) — \$2,500 in general operating support; competitive
- Greeley Transitional House, Inc. — \$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Homeward Alliance, Inc. (Fort Collins) — \$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Inn Between of Longmont, Inc. — \$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- La Cocina (Fort Collins) — \$15,000 for youth mental health programming; regional council
- Larimer County Partners, Inc. (Fort Collins) — \$15,000 for youth mental health programming; regional council
- Live the Victory, Inc. (Fort Collins) — \$5,000 for youth and family center programs; competitive
- North Range Behavioral Health (Greeley) — \$30,000 for youth mental health programming; regional council
- Project Self-Sufficiency of Loveland-Fort Collins — \$15,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Rise Against Suicide (Lafayette) — \$5,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- SNAPP (Fort Collins) — \$2,500 for youth mentorship program; competitive
- The Family Center — La Familia (Fort Collins) - \$30,000 in general operating support; competitive
- The Family Center — La Familia (Fort Collins) - \$30,000 for youth mental health programming; regional council
- United Way of Weld County, Inc. (Greeley) — \$10,000 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- United Way of Weld County, Inc. (Greeley) — \$50,000 for Northern Colorado Continuum of Care; regional council
- University of Colorado Foundation (Denver) – \$12,500 for CU Boulder President’s Leadership Class; Trustee merit

- Wild Bear Nature Center (Nederland) — \$15,000 for new nature center; competitive

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$86,500 to nonprofits in the Northeast region

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- Cooperating Ministry of Logan County (Sterling) — \$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Energy Resource Center (Colorado Springs) — \$50,000 for northeast Colorado and San Luis Valley general operating support; competitive
- Family Resource Center (Sterling) — \$5,000 for youth programs; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Logan County Arts League (Sterling) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Sedgwick County (Julesburg) — \$16,500 for wildland equipment and PPE; Wildland Fire Fund
- Sterling Baseball Organization — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

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The Wildland Fire Fund assists with immediate emergency needs of volunteer firefighting agencies and first responders throughout the state of Colorado. Started in 2002 in response to the Hayman Fire, the Wildland Fire Fund has awarded more than \$6 million in grants over 20 years.

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$115,000 to nonprofits in the Northwest region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—October 4— Grant funding of \$115,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the Northwest region. El Pomar Trustees approved \$115,000 allocated to nine nonprofit organizations and government entities in the Northwest region at the Foundation’s August Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Boys & Girls Club of Northwest Colorado (Craig) — \$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Clifton Christian Church Food Bank — \$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Court Sports for Life Foundation (Steamboat Springs) — \$10,000 for a facility upgrade and new building; competitive
- Grand County Rural Health Network, Inc. (Hot Sulphur Springs) — \$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Grand Valley Catholic Outreach, Inc. (Grand Junction) — \$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Life Inter-Faith Team on Unemployment and Poverty (Rifle) — \$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Life Inter-Faith Team on Unemployment and Poverty (Rifle) — \$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Mesa County (Grand Junction) — \$25,000 for Clifton Community Campus; competitive
- Mesa County Land Conservancy, Inc (Grand Junction) — \$10,000 for Monument Trail; competitive
- Mesa County Libraries Foundation, Inc. (Grand Junction) — \$25,000 for new Clifton branch library; competitive

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$50,500 to nonprofits in the San Juan region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—October 4— Grant funding of \$50,500 will support the work of nonprofits in the San Juan region. El Pomar Trustees approved \$50,500 allocated to eight nonprofit organizations in the San Juan region at the Foundation's August Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation's grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club, Inc. (Montrose) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Calvary Ranch Colorado (Montrose) — \$5,000 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Crested Butte Nordic Council — \$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Friends of Youth and Nature (Hotchkiss) — \$2,500 for mountain bike program; competitive
- Gunnison Hinsdale Youth Services, Inc. — \$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Maslow Academy of Applied Learning, Inc. (Montrose) — \$15,000 for new satellite early childhood education center; competitive
- PEER Kindness, Inc. (Montrose) — \$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- True North Youth Program (Telluride) — \$3,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$302,371 to nonprofits in the San Luis Valley

Colorado Springs, Colo.—October 4— Grant funding of \$302,371 will support the work of nonprofits in the San Luis Valley region. El Pomar Trustees approved \$302,371 allocated to 12 nonprofit organizations and government entities in the San Luis Valley at the Foundation's August Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation's grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Alpine Achievers Initiative (Monte Vista) — \$25,000 for training series; regional council
- Boys and Girls Clubs of the San Luis Valley, Inc. (Alamosa) — \$4,500 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Center for Restorative Programs (Alamosa) — \$23,000 for training program; regional council
- Center Viking Youth Club — \$3,500 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Center Viking Youth Club — \$25,000 for supplies and equipment; regional council
- City of Alamosa — \$17,700 for St. Benedicts Camp support; regional council
- Creede Early Learning Center — \$25,000 for preschool renovation and addition; regional council
- Energy Resource Center (Colorado Springs) — \$50,000 for northeast Colorado and San Luis Valley general operating support; competitive
- La Puente Home, Inc. (Alamosa) — \$18,500 for Kids Place support; regional council
- San Luis Valley Area Health Education Center, Inc. (Alamosa) — \$25,000 for applied suicide intervention skills training; regional council
- San Luis Valley Museum (Alamosa) — \$15,000 for capital improvements; regional council
- Tiny Hands Daycare Center, Inc. (Blanca) — \$9,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc. (Alamosa) — \$61,171 for Sanford School District school-based clinician; regional council

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$157,000 to nonprofits in the Southeast region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—October 4— Grant funding of \$157,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the Southeast region. El Pomar Trustees approved \$157,000 allocated to 20 nonprofit organizations and government entities in the Southeast region at the Foundation's August Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation's grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Autabee Club Incorporated (Avondale) — \$2,500 for Native American cultural enrichment programs ; Elevating Leadership Development merit
- Christlife Ministries (Pueblo) — \$2,500 for sober environment homes; Elevating Leadership Development merit
- Close Up Foundation (Alexandria, VA) — \$5,000 for rural Colorado youth civic education programs; competitive
- Colorado State University Pueblo Foundation — \$5,000 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Dorcas Circle (Walsenburg) — \$25,000 for building purchase; competitive
- Eastside Action Support Team (Pueblo) — \$2,500 in general operating support; Elevating Leadership Development merit
- Friends Of Lamar Hope Center, Inc. — \$5,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Grupo Folklorico de Pueblo, Inc. (Pueblo West) — \$1,500 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Latino Chamber Development Corporation, Inc. (Pueblo) — \$2,500 for Latino Veterans Profiles in Courage Awards Ceremony; Elevating Leadership Development merit
- Pueblo African American Concern Organization, Inc. — \$2,500 for Dr. Ruth D. Steele Scholarship Fund; Elevating Leadership Development merit
- Pueblo Child Advocacy Center, Inc. — \$4,500 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Pueblo Empowerment Community Development Corporation — \$2,500 in general operating support; Elevating Leadership Development merit
- Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation — \$2,500 in general operating support; Elevating Leadership merit
- Pueblo Poverty Foundation — \$10,000 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Pueblo School District 60 — \$1,000 for Central High School Army JROTC; Trustee merit
- Pueblo Zoological Society — \$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Sheriff's Assistance for Employees, Inc. (Pueblo) — \$2,500 for A Community Organization for Victim Assistance support; Elevating Leadership Development merit
- Southeast Mental Health Services (La Junta) — \$50,000 for Rocky Ford building renovation; competitive
- Town of La Veta — \$25,000 for new playground; competitive

- Veterans of Foreign Wars Foundation (Kansas City, MO) — \$2,500 for Veterans of Foreign Wars Minnequa Post 3641 in Pueblo; Elevating Leadership Development merit

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Launched in 2001, Elevating Leadership Development (ELD) – formerly Emerging Leaders Development – removes barriers to access to a variety of community leadership development opportunities for leaders of color from Colorado Springs to Pueblo, opening doors to professional development and community leadership roles. Each year, members of ELD's Advisory Board can direct up to \$60,000 in merit grants supporting Southern Colorado's communities of color.

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$15,000 to nonprofits in the Southwest region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—October 4— Grant funding of \$15,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the Southwest region. El Pomar Trustees approved \$15,000 allocated to five nonprofit organizations and government entities in the Southwest region at the Foundation’s August Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Archuleta County (Pagosa Springs) — \$2,500 for Archuleta County 4-H AmeriCorp; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Colorado State University Foundation (Fort Collins) — \$2,500 for Archuleta County 4-H AmeriCorp; regional merit
- Onward! A Legacy Foundation (Cortez) — \$2,500 for School Community Youth Collaborative program; competitive
- Reaching Out to Community and Kids (Dove Creek) — \$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation (Pagosa Springs) — \$2,500 for Mountains of Opportunity campaign; regional merit

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