



## EL POMAR FOUNDATION

# December 2020 Regional Grant Announcements

The following document is a collection of eight press releases sent by El Pomar Foundation to media outlets in rural regions across Colorado in January 2021. The press releases highlight grants approved at El Pomar's December 2020 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 [ehannan@elpomar.org](mailto:ehannan@elpomar.org).

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$15,000 to nonprofits in the Central Peaks region**

**Colorado Springs, Colo.—January 20, 2021—Grant funding of \$15,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the Central Peaks region.** El Pomar Trustees approved grant allocations to three nonprofit organizations in the Central Peaks region at the Foundation’s December Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Cañon City Golden Age Council, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Guidestone of Salida—\$5,000 for Hutchinson Homestead & Learning Center; competitive
- Lighthouse Helpline and Pregnancy Center of Silver Cliff—\$5,000 for building addition; competitive

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$15,000 grant to nonprofits in the High Country region**

**Colorado Springs, Colo.—January 20, 2021— Grant funding of \$15,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the High Country region.** El Pomar Trustees approved grant allocations to three nonprofit organizations in the High Country region at the Foundation’s December Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- League for Animals and People of the Summit of Frisco—\$5,000 for spay and neuter program; Freda Hambrick Fund
- Pathfinders of Aspen—\$5,000 for counseling programs; competitive
- Summit County—\$5,000 for youth mentoring program; competitive

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$5,500 to nonprofits in the North region**

**Colorado Springs, Colo.—January 20, 2021— Grant funding of \$5,500 will support the work of nonprofits in the North region.** El Pomar Trustees approved grant allocations to two nonprofit organizations in the North region at the Foundation’s December Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Hearts & Horses, Inc. of Loveland—\$3,000 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- Medicine Horse Program of Boulder—\$2,500 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$122,500 to nonprofits in the Northwest region**

**Colorado Springs, Colo.—January 20, 2021— Grant funding of \$122,500 will support the work of nonprofits in the Northwest region.** El Pomar Trustees approved grant allocations to six nonprofit organizations in the Northwest region at the Foundation’s December Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Colorado Mesa University Foundation of Grand Junction—\$100,000 for physical and occupational therapy education center; competitive
- First Impressions of Routt County of Steamboat Springs—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Northwest Rocky Mountain CASA, Inc. of Steamboat Springs—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- West Routt Rural Health Council, Inc. of Hayden—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Western Slope Veterans Coalition of Glenwood Springs—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- WindWalkers Equine Assisted Learning and Therapy Center of Carbondale—\$5,000 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$136,000 to nonprofits in the San Juan region**

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- CASA of the Seventh Judicial District, Inc. of Montrose—\$75,000 for supportive housing facility; regional council
- Delta County Public Library District of Hotchkiss—\$5,000 for literacy program; competitive
- Delta Montrose Youth Services, Inc. of Montrose—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- End of the Trail Rescue of Olathe—\$6,000 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- Gunnison Valley Animal Welfare League, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; Freda Hambrick Fund
- Kids’ Pasta Project of Paonia—\$2,500 in general operating support; competitive
- Midwestern Colorado Mental Health Center, Inc. of Montrose—\$15,000 for Mental Health First Aid and \$10,000 for parent-child interaction therapy; regional council
- Seasons Schoolhouse, Inc. of Gunnison—\$7,500 for facility renovation; competitive
- Town of Paonia—\$5,000 for North Fork Valley Skatepark; competitive

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$20,000 to nonprofit in the San Luis Valley region**

**Colorado Springs, Colo.—January 20, 2021— Grant funding of \$20,000 will support the work of the Creede Repertory Theater, Inc. in the San Luis Valley region.** El Pomar Trustees approved a grant allocation to one nonprofit organization in the San Luis Valley region at the Foundation’s December Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the Creede Repertory Theatre, Inc. was awarded a regional council grant of \$20,000 for LED lights in the Ruth Theatre.

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$141,500 to nonprofits in the Southeast region**

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- Boys & Girls Clubs of Pueblo County—\$25,000 for workforce development initiative; competitive
- Pueblo Community Health Center, Inc.—\$50,000 for new building; competitive
- Sangre de Cristo Hospice & Palliative Care of Pueblo—\$4,000 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Teach for America, Inc. of Denver—\$40,000 for Pueblo teacher pipeline; regional council
- Valley Backpacks, Inc. of Rye—\$2,500 for school supplies and clothing; competitive
- Young Women’s Christian Association of Pueblo—\$20,000 for data management system; regional council

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### **El Pomar Foundation approves \$10,000 to nonprofits in the Southwest region**

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- Medicine Horse Center – Therapeutic Riding & Equine Rehabilitation of Mancos—\$5,000 for direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- Montezuma School to Farm Project of Mancos—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive

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