



EL POMAR FOUNDATION

May 2020 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 2020. The press releases highlight grants approved at El Pomar's May 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.

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$27,000 to nonprofits in the Central Peaks region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020—El Pomar Trustees approved \$27,000 allocated to seven 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:

- 51:10 Youth Ranch—\$2,000 for the direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- Boys and Girls Club of South Park, Inc.—\$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Custer County Community Sharing Center, Inc.—\$2,500 for food acquisition; competitive
- JJs Helping Paws, Inc.—\$2,500 for the feral cat program; Hambrick Fund
- Meals on Wheels of Cañon City Colorado, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- The Misfits Dog Rescue—\$1,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Uncaged Today, Inc.—\$4,000 to support domestic violence victims; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$47,000 grant to nonprofits in the High Country region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020—El Pomar Trustees approved \$47,000 allocated to two 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:

- Bright Future Foundation for Eagle County—\$25,000 for the Bright House emergency shelter; competitive
- Keystone Center—\$22,000 for a coal transition plant for Moffat County; regional council

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$187,500 to nonprofits in the North region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020—El Pomar Trustees approved \$187,500 allocated to six 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:

- Alternatives to Violence, Inc.—\$5,000 for an emergency shelter fire suppression system; competitive
- North Range Behavioral Health—\$85,000 for school-based mental health services; regional council
- Rocky Mountain Raptor Program—\$5,000 for a rehabilitation program; Hambrick Fund
- Street Dog Coalition—\$2,500 for the care and feeding of animals in Colorado; Hambrick Fund
- SummitStone Health Partners—\$85,000 for school-based mental health services; regional council
- Voices for Children, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$17,500 to nonprofits in the Northeast region

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- Help For Abused Partners—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Regional Home Visitation Program—\$7,500 in general operating support; competitive
- S H A R E, Inc.—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Sedgwick County—\$2,500 for the Historic Julesburg Train Depot; regional merit
- Sedgwick County Economic Development Corporation—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$62,500 to nonprofits in the Northwest region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020—El Pomar Trustees approved \$62,500 allocated to seven 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:

- Colorado State University Foundation—\$15,000 for the CSU Extension educational center in Garfield County; competitive
- Garfield County Animal Welfare Foundation, Inc.—\$10,000 for a new facility; Hambrick Fund
- Marillac Clinic, Inc.—\$10,000 for services related to COVID-19; competitive
- Pregnancy Resource Connection, Inc.—\$2,500 in general operating support; competitive
- Roice-Hurst Humane Society, Inc.—\$5,000 for the animal resource center; Hambrick Fund
- Routt County United Way—\$10,000 for the nonprofit center expansion; competitive
- Youthentity—\$10,000 in general operating support; competitive

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$177,500 to nonprofits in the San Juan region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020—El Pomar Trustees approved \$177,500 allocated to four nonprofit organizations in the San Juan region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Bright Futures—\$150,000 for the Pyramid Coaching Project; regional council
- Dream Catcher Therapy Center, Inc.—\$7,500 for the direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- Haven House of Montrose, Inc.—\$15,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Telluride Foundation—\$5,000 for the Good Neighbor Fund; competitive

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$165,000 to nonprofits in the San Luis Valley region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020—El Pomar Trustees approved \$165,000 allocated to 10 nonprofit organizations in the San Luis Valley region at the Foundation’s May Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Creede Early Learning Center—\$2,500 for furniture and iPads; regional merit
- Creede Repertory Theatre, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- La Puente Home, Inc.—\$30,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Monte Vista Community Fund, Inc.—\$2,500 for the Ski Hi Park Event and Conference Center; regional merit
- San Luis Valley Development Resources Group—\$100,000 for the Ski Hi Park Regional Event and Conference Center; competitive
- Silver Thread Public Health—\$4,500 for the Choice Pass program; regional merit
- SLV Cancer Relief Fund, Inc.—\$3,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Town of San Luis—\$7,500 for an outdoor play park; competitive
- Tu Casa Incorporated—\$7,500 in general operating support; competitive
- Upper Rio Grande Animal Society—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation adds approves \$56,500 to nonprofits in the Southeast region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020— El Pomar Trustees approved \$56,500 allocated to seven 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 Boys Ranch Foundation—\$10,000 to support rural youth and families; competitive
- Huerfano Las Animas Area Council of Governments—\$5,000 for public transit support; competitive
- Mt. Rose Health Center Palliative Care and Hospice, Inc.—\$2,500 for hospice and palliative care services; competitive
- Museum of Friends—\$10,000 for restroom and foundation upgrades; competitive
- Rocky Mountain Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America—\$20,000 for facility renovations; competitive
- Tri-County Family Care Center, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Tri-State 9/11 Foundation—\$4,000 for a 9/11 tribute memorial; competitive

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$31,000 to nonprofits in the Southwest region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—June 29, 2020—El Pomar Trustees approved \$31,000 allocated to six 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:

- Archuleta County School District 50JT—\$7,500 for a StarLab constellation unit; regional merit and Trustee regional merit
- Community Connections, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Housing Solutions for the Southwest, Inc.—\$7,500 in general operating support; competitive
- LASSO—\$3,500 for the direct care of equines; Sally Beck Fund
- Montezuma County Historical Society, Inc.—\$2,500 for the Montezuma Heritage Museum; regional merit
- Reaching Out to Community and Kids—\$5,000 for youth enrichment programs; competitive

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