



EL POMAR FOUNDATION

October 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 November 2020. The press releases highlight grants approved at El Pomar's October 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 \$69,000 to nonprofits in the Central Peaks region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—November 24, 2020—Grant funding of \$69,000 will support the work of nonprofits in the Central Peaks region. El Pomar Trustees approved grant allocations to 17 nonprofit organizations in the Central Peaks region at the Foundation's October Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation's grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- All Aboard Westcliffe, Inc. of Westcliffe—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Chaffee County of Salida—\$4,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- CASA of Pueblo—\$5,000 for Heart of Colorado CASA; regional merit
- Chaffee County Early Childhood Council of Salida—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Colorado Farm to Table, Inc. of Salida—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Crystal Mountain Center for Performing Arts of Westcliffe—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Custer County Community Sharing Center, Inc. of Westcliffe—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Developmental Opportunities of Cañon City—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Far View Horse Rescue of Fairplay—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Fremont Search and Rescue, Inc. of Cañon City—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Friends of the CCFPD Firefighters, Inc. of Buena Vista—\$10,000 for new vehicle; Wildland Fire Fund
- Lifebridge, Inc. of Bailey—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Park County Senior Coalition of Fairplay—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- PeaceWorks, Inc. of Bailey—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Salida School District R-32J—\$5,000 to support the Salida Early Childhood Center with COVID-19 related expenses; regional merit
- South Park Food Bank of Fairplay—\$7,500 in general operating support; regional council and Trustee regional merit
- Wetmore Community Library—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$100,500 grant to nonprofits in the High Country region

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- Aspen Sante Fe Ballet—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Aspen School District No.1—\$4,000 for Aspen Family Connections general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Bright Future Foundation for Eagle County of Avon—\$5,000 for BrightHouse emergency shelter; regional merit
- Bright Future Foundation for Eagle County of Avon—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Challenge Aspen of Snowmass Village —\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Clear Creek County of Georgetown—\$35,000 for Collaborative Care Center; competitive and regional merit
- Lake County Community Fund of Leadville—\$2,500 for utilities support for citizens; Trustee regional merit
- Lake County School District R-1 of Leadville—\$7,000 for Project Dream; regional merit
- Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers of Basalt—\$2,500 for youth stewards program; competitive
- Roaring Fork School District RE-1 of Carbondale—\$6,500 for Family Resource Center general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund and regional merit
- St. George Episcopal Church of Leadville—\$3,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Summit County Child Care Resource & Referral Agency of Dillon—\$20,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Summit County Family Resource Center of Silverthorne—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$86,000 to nonprofits in the North region

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- A Kid’s Place, Inc. of Greeley—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit and Trustee regional merit
- Aims Community College Foundation of Greeley—\$10,000 for emergency student grants; regional merit
- Alternatives to Violence, Inc. of Loveland—\$17,500 in general operating support; regional merit and Trustee regional merit
- Arc of Weld County of Greeley—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Attention, Inc. of Boulder—\$4,000 for at-risk youth program; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Larimer County of Fort Collins—\$5,000 for childcare and after school programs; regional merit
- Boy Scouts of America, Longs Peak Council of Greeley—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Heart-J Center for Experiential Learning at Sylvan Dale Ranch of Loveland—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Live the Victory, Inc. of Fort Collins—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Lyons Emergency Assistance Fund, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Neighbor to Neighbor, Inc. of Fort Collins—\$7,500 for emergency rent assistance; regional merit and Trustee regional merit
- Poudre School District R-1 of Fort Collins—\$5,000 for Livermore Elementary School; regional merit
- Success Foundation Serving Greeley-Evans Schools, Inc.—\$2,500 for computers or iPads for remote learning; Trustee regional merit
- University of Colorado Foundation of Denver—\$2,000 for CU Boulder President’s Leadership Class; Trustee merit
- Weld Food Bank of Greeley—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$39,000 to nonprofits in the Northeast region

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- Colorado Rural Schools Alliance of Lafayette—\$10,000 to support Northeast rural communities; regional merit
- Family Resource Center of Sterling—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Kit Carson Rural Development—\$5,000 for Hospital Week; regional merit
- Prairie Family Center of Burlington—\$4,000 for mental health programs; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Prairie View Health Resources, Inc. of Cheyenne Wells—\$5,000 for Keefe Memorial Hospital’s Hospital Week; regional merit
- Regional Home Visitation Program of Yuma—\$7,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Wray Rehabilitation and Activities Center, Inc.—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$121,500 to nonprofits in the Northwest region

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- Alpine Legal Service, Inc. of Glenwood Springs—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Andy Zanca Youth Empowerment Program of Carbondale—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Boys & Girls Club of Northwest Colorado of Craig—\$10,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Carbondale Clay Center—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Community Food Bank of Grand Junction—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Early Childhood Council Leadership Alliance of Wheat Ridge—\$2,500 for First Impressions of Routt County; Trustee regional merit
- Garfield County School District No. 16 of Parachute—\$2,500 for the family resource center; regional merit
- Grand Valley Catholic Outreach, Inc. of Grand Junction—\$12,500 in general operating support; regional merit and Trustee regional merit
- Habitat for Humanity of the Roaring Fork Valley of Glenwood Springs—\$2,500 for an affordable housing development; regional merit
- Hilltop Health Services Corporation of Grand Junction—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Housing Resources of Western Colorado of Grand Junction—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Mountain Family Health Centers of Glenwood Springs—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Mountain Valley Developmental Services, Inc. of Glenwood Springs—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Pioneers Healthcare Foundation, Inc. of Meeker—\$25,000 for MRI equipment; competitive
- River Bridge Regional Center, Inc. of Glenwood Springs—\$10,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Riverside Educational Center of Grand Junction—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Roaring Fork Friends of the Theater, Inc. of Carbondale—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

- Stepping Stones of the Roaring Fork Valley of Carbondale—\$2,500 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Vail Valley Foundation of Avon—\$2,500 for Youth Power 365; regional merit
- Valley Settlement of Carbondale—\$2,500 for the emergency fund; regional merit
- Western Slope Center for Children of Grand Junction—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Western Slope Veterans Coalition of Glenwood Springs—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- YouthZone of Glenwood Springs—\$4,000 for the restorative justice program; Karl E. Eitel Fund

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$128,500 to nonprofits in the San Juan region

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- Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club, Inc. of Montrose—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- CASA of the Seventh Judicial District, Inc. of Montrose—\$25,000 for supportive housing; competitive
- CASA of the Seventh Judicial District, Inc. of Montrose—\$5,000 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Colorado 4-H Foundation Group of Fort Collins—\$5,000 for the Delta County 4-H Council; regional merit
- Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley—\$2,500 for professional development for nonprofit leadership; regional merit
- Community Options, Inc. of Montrose—\$2,500 for the early intervention program; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Dream Catcher Therapy Center, Inc. of Olathe—\$4,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Friends of the Ouray Public Library—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Friends of the Wright Opera House, Inc. of Ouray—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Friends of Youth and Nature of Hotchkiss—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Grand Mesa Arts and Event Center, Inc. of Cedaredge—\$15,000 for building purchase; competitive
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- Gunnison Council for the Arts—\$2,500 for the Healing Through the Arts mindful arts series; regional merit
- LCMC Endowment Fund, Inc. of Lake City—\$10,000 for Lake City Area Medical Center; regional merit
- Maslow Academy of Applied Learning, Inc. of Montrose—\$3,000 for the early childhood program; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Montrose County School District RE-1J—\$5,000 for Northside School Based Health Clinic; regional merit
- North Fork Valley Public Radio, Inc. of Paonia—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- PEER Kindness, Inc. of Montrose—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- San Miguel Resource Center of Telluride—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive

- Seasons Schoolhouse, Inc. of Gunnison—\$5,000 for remodeling and furnishing the new facility; regional merit
- True North Youth Program of Telluride—\$4,000 for general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Weehawken Creative Arts of Ridgway—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$252,500 to nonprofits in the San Luis Valley region

Colorado Springs, Colo.—November 25, 2020— Grant funding of \$252,500 will support the work of nonprofits in the San Luis Valley region. El Pomar Trustees approved grant allocations to 16 nonprofit organizations in the San Luis Valley region at the Foundation’s October Trustees meeting. Through the Foundation’s grant making process, the following organizations were awarded grants:

- Adams State University of Alamosa—\$5,000 for the Migrant Education Program; regional merit
- Adams State University of Alamosa—\$5,000 for the College Assistance Migrant Program; regional merit
- Adams State University of Alamosa—\$50,000 for youth mental health programs; regional council
- Adams State University Foundation, Inc. of Alamosa—\$2,500 for the Adams State College Athletics Foundation; regional merit
- Alamosa Senior Citizens—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Boys & Girls Club of the San Luis Valley, Inc. of Alamosa—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Del Norte Public Library—\$10,000 for ADA compliant ramp and railings; competitive
- Early Childhood Council of the San Luis Valley of Alamosa—\$25,000 for the youth caregiver support position; regional council
- Headwaters Alliance of Creede—\$2,500 in general operating support; competitive
- Mineral County of Creede—\$25,000 for mining museum/community center; competitive
- Monte Vista Community Fund, Inc.—\$65,000 for Ski-Hi Park Complex; regional council, regional merit and Trustee regional merit
- San Luis Valley Animal Welfare Society of Alamosa—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- San Luis Valley Behavioral Health Group of Alamosa—\$30,000 for teletherapy; regional council
- San Luis Valley Immigrant Resource Center of Alamosa—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Stephen Quiller Center for the Arts of Creede—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Tu Casa Incorporated of Alamosa—\$10,000 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Valley Housing Corporation of La Jara—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Veterans Boulevard of Conejos County of Antonito—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit

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El Pomar Foundation approves \$160,000 to nonprofits in the Southeast region

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- Addict to Athlete, Inc. of Pueblo—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Bent County Historical Society of Las Animas—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Bessemer Historical Society, Inc. of Pueblo—\$1,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Pueblo County—\$8,500 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund and regional merit
- CASA of Pueblo—\$4,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Center for American Values, Inc. of Pueblo—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Center for Disabilities of Pueblo—\$10,000 for program for disabled elderly; competitive
- Colorado Judicial Department of La Junta—\$3,500 for MAP Truancy program; regional merit
- Colorado State University, Pueblo Foundation—\$5,000 for alumni association; Trustee merit
- East Side Child Care Center, Inc. of Pueblo—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Friendly Harbor of Pueblo—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Granada School District—\$4,000 for Amache Preservation Society kiosk; regional merit
- Hope for Children, Inc. of Pueblo—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Huerfano County Youth Services of Walsenburg—\$2,000 for Walsenburg Youth Group; Trustee regional merit
- Metro Volunteers of Denver—\$4,000 for Pueblo pro bono mental health program; Trustee regional merit
- Mount Carmel Health, Wellness and Community Center of Trinidad—\$10,000 for children's orchestra program; regional merit
- Mount Carmel Health, Wellness and Community Center of Trinidad—\$10,000 in general operating support; regional council
- Pueblo Community Soup Kitchen, Inc.—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Pueblo Cooperative Care Center—\$4,000 in general operating support; regional merit and Trustee merit
- Pueblo Poverty Foundation—\$3,500 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Pueblo Rape Crisis Services, Inc.—\$1,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Pueblo Rescue Mission—\$5,500 in general operating support; regional merit and Trustee merit
- Pueblo Zoological Society—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee merit

- Sangre de Cristo Arts & Conference Center, Inc. of Pueblo—\$2,000 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Sangre de Cristo Hospice & Palliative Care of Pueblo—\$2,500 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- Senior Resource Development Agency Pueblo, Inc.—\$25,000 for HVAC system replacement at the Joseph H. Edwards Adult Activity Center; regional council
- Southern Colorado Youth Development of Pueblo—\$4,000 for at-risk youth programs; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- The Colorado State Fair Foundation of Pueblo—\$1,500 in general operating support; Trustee regional merit
- Town of Cheraw—\$10,000 for radios; Wildland Fire Fund
- Tri-County Family Center Care, Inc. of Rocky Ford—\$3,000 in general operating support; Trustee merit
- United Way of Pueblo County, Colorado, Inc.—\$5,000 for the middle school mentoring program; Karl E. Eitel Fund and Trustee merit
- Young Women’s Christian Association of Pueblo—\$10,000 in general operating support; competitive

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- Cancer Research Alliance of Cortez—\$2,500 to support cancer patients; regional merit
- Colorado Agricultural Leadership Program of Cortez—\$45,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Community United Methodist Church of Pagosa Springs—\$2,500 to support the food pantry at John Paul II Catholic Church; regional merit
- Crow Canyon Archaeological Center of Cortez—\$10,000 for the distance learning program; competitive
- Disabled Sports USA of Durango—\$4,000 in general operating support; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- Durango Arts Center, Inc.—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Durango Education Center—\$5,000 in general operating support; regional merit
- Episcopal Parish of St. Barnabas of the Valley of Cortez—\$5,000 for Montezuma Youth Pride; regional merit
- Habitat for Humanity of La Plata County of Durango—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- La Plata Family Centers Coalition of Durango—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Medicine Horse Center Therapeutic Riding & Equine Rehabilitation of Mancos—\$3,000 for the AWARE Youth Program; Karl E. Eitel
- Onward! A Legacy Foundation of Cortez—\$2,500 for the Montezuma Food Coalition; regional merit
- Pagosa Springs Arts Council—\$2,500 for the Goodman’s Mural Public Art Project; regional merit
- Silverton Creative District—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Silverton Family Learning Center, Inc.—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Silverton School District—\$2,500 for the garden and greenhouse program; regional merit
- Silverton Youth Center—\$2,500 in general operating support; regional merit
- Southern Colorado Community Action Agency, Inc. of Durango—\$5,000 in general operating support; competitive
- Tara Historical Society of Arboles—\$2,000 for auxiliary building restoration; competitive
- Town of Pagosa Springs—\$3,000 for K.I.D.S. Camp; Karl E. Eitel Fund
- United Way of Southwest Colorado of Durango—\$5,000 for Team UP AmeriCorps; regional merit

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The Karl E. Eitel fund honors the legacy of Karl E. Eitel who served as a Trustee of El Pomar Foundation for 23 years. He was a strong advocate for youth and youth development, and this fund recognizes supports organizations that serve at-risk youth throughout Colorado.

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