



# Donor Connections

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The Community Foundation is excited to share the 2007 Community Trust Grant proposals. Each year The Community Foundation awards grants in the following program areas: Arts & Culture, Basic Needs, Civic Engagement, Education, Environment, Health & Human Services, and Youth. The 2007 Community Trust grant cycle received over 135 proposals. Per the recommendations of community-based committees, The Community Foundation will grant out over \$135,000 to local non-profit organizations serving Boulder County residents. Programs applying for grants include, but are not limited to the following:

## **Arts & Culture:**

- General operating dollars to an agency providing an affordable multidisciplinary home for eighteen of Boulder's finest arts organizations and ad-hoc rental space for many other non-profit organizations
- Funds to expand art outreach programs for youth in Longmont

## **Basic Needs:**

- General operating support to an organization that provided food to 86 partner agencies and distributed over 3.6 million meals this year
- Support of the only emergency residential living facility for Boulder Youth ages 12 to 18, serving over 100 children per year

## **Civic Engagement:**

- An initiative that coordinates facilitated community conversations throughout Boulder County, to build understanding between immigrants and the established community and to foster actions that strengthen the community
- General operating support for a volunteer clearinghouse supporting volunteer participation and management to Boulder County non-profit organizations

## **Education:**

- Program that provides educational and emotional support through mentoring, tutoring, and social enrichment for low-income, high-risk youth, to ensure their success after high school
- General operating for an organization that provides high quality early learning programs, child care, and family support

## **Environment:**

- Support enabling economically disadvantaged youth to attend residential outdoor and environmental education programs in a spectacular outdoor setting
- General operating for leadership development within a non-profit agency that works on 20 volunteer projects to restore damaged natural environments on public lands primarily in Boulder County

## **Health & Human Service:**

- Support for vocational rehabilitation program, serving individuals with severe, persistent mental illness
- Program providing services for frail older adults to assist them to remain in their own homes

## **Youth:**

- Programs providing educational, recreational and parental activities to at-risk youth and their families to reduce and eliminate risk factors and increase educational expectations and aspirations in the St. Vrain Valley School District
- A program offering free after-school and summer leadership programming for underserved youth, ages 5-19, in the Lafayette community

Should you be interested in funding any proposals, please contact Carly Hare, Programs Director, at 303-442-0436, ext. 111, or [Carly@commfound.org](mailto:Carly@commfound.org).

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In addition to the proposals received through The Community Trust Grant Cycle, we sometimes receive funding requests for programs that do not fit our typical funding priorities, geographic area of service, or timelines. We compile these requests and use them as another resource in working with you. Below are examples of such requests that we have received this year. If you are interested in learning more about these funding opportunities, please contact Director of Philanthropic Services, Tim Leifield at 303-442-0436, ext.110, or [Tim@commfound.org](mailto:Tim@commfound.org).

***Civic Engagement:***

- Program to reduce the recidivism rate in Boulder County through offender re-entry mentoring seeks funding for growing operating costs, due to recent program successes
- Interfaith spiritual community providing outreach to Gay, Lesbian, Bi-sexual, Transgender, Questioning, and Intersex (GLBTQI) people
- National conference discussing strategies to increase and support community and civic activism efforts in the Hmong-American community
- Program dedicated to making Boulder a welcoming community for all, by working to eliminate all forms of racism, hate and discrimination
- Operating support for global grassroots granting organization working toward solving problems of poverty, powerlessness, and environmental destruction

***Education:***

- Funding for a scholarship supporting men and boys, during times of transition throughout the lifecycle
- Program to improve the lives of orphans and vulnerable children around the world, through books and educational opportunities

***Environment:***

- Local alpine ski and snowboard racing club is seeking support to hire a full-time coach for athletes and to provide leadership for part-time and/or volunteer coaches

***Health & Human Service:***

- Continued operating funds are sought for a program supporting addiction recovery efforts of university students