

2023 Community Projects Catalog

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We invited all nonprofits to submit a project for inclusion in the catalog. In this catalog you'll find projects that serve our community as well those that help beyond the St. Vrain Valley.

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Please go to the organization's website that we've listed and make a donation with a credit card or send them your gift directly.

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We want to let people know of the great work in our community.
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There are 90+ organizations within this catalog! All wonderful projects working to improve our community.

Our Live and Give grants committee supported some of these projects but there's always more need than there is funding. We encourage you to help out by supporting these great projects.

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ANIMALS

Animal Rescue of the Rockies

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: To rescue homeless dogs and cats facing certain euthanasia in underserved shelters, bring them to health, and adopt them out in the Longmont area

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used to spay or neuter, vaccinate, and micro-chip 30 homeless dogs and cats

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Colorado Horse Rescue

Requested: \$7,500

Mission: We are Colorado Horse Rescue, and we are building a better future for horses. We see it. We believe in it. And we are here to make it happen. As a 501(c)(3) impact organization operating in Colorado since 1986, we work to continuously reimagine what's possible and create a reality where safe solutions exist for every horse. CHR saves viable horses in the St. Vrain Valley and beyond from vulnerable situations by primarily accepting horses through owner surrender or auction intercept. We thoroughly rehabilitate, train, and adopt horses into loving homes. We host public clinics to foster responsible horse ownership. CHR assists local horse owners who are struggling financially so that they may keep their horses.

How will funds be used?: CHR seeks \$7,500 in general operating support to be used for equine rehabilitation.

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Colorado Pet Pantry

Requested: \$2,000

Mission: Established in 2013, Colorado Pet Pantry (CPP) started with a mission to temporarily feed Colorado pets, allowing families to increase their ability to care for pets with the goal of keeping them out of shelters and with their families and a single bi-monthly pet food bank. Today, CPP is the largest organization of its kind in the US, distributing pet food at 103 monthly pet food banks in 31 counties and assisting 100+animal rescues/welfare organizations with food and supplies across Colorado. CPP's primary goal is to ensure that all pet families have the resources to consistently feed their pets, especially during these times of ongoing health crisis and financial uncertainty, keeping them out of already overcrowded shelters.

How will funds be used?: CPP is seeking support to provide 400 1-month allotments of pet food for pet families in the St. Vrain community.

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Good Life Refuge

Requested: \$8,000

Mission: The mission of Good Life Refuge is to provide a safe haven for abused and at-risk farm animals. Many of our 71 animal residents have been abandoned, seized by governmental agencies, or surrendered by their owners due to financial issues or not being able to take care of...

...their animals anymore.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for general operating costs as inflation has depleted our funding for food, medical care and needed winter supplies. \$8,000 will provide care for our 71 farm residents for one month.

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Greenwood Wildlife
Rehabilitation Center

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center (Greenwood) operates as the largest wildlife rehabilitation facility on Colorado's Front Range. Our service area is from north of Pueblo to the Wyoming border. Greenwood's two-part mission has remained constant throughout our 40 years of service to the St. Vrain Valley and the extended Front Range: to rehabilitate sick, injured, and orphaned wildlife for release into appropriate habitats and to educate the public, emphasizing humane solutions to human-wildlife interactions. In the summer months, we field over 100 phone calls daily from across the state, instructing the public on living humanely with wildlife and helping wildlife in need.

How will funds be used?: We are requesting support for the purchase of species-specific specialized foods and medical supplies that are vital for the healthy development of young wildlife and the rapid recuperation of adults from injuries and illness.

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ARTS AND CULTURE

Art Sticks

Requested: \$19,000

Mission: We exist to bring affordable local art to the hands of our community. Using stickers as the medium, we seek to create a strong appreciation of art to stimulate healthy conversation and share diverse opinions in a safe and respectful manner. From the heart of an artist, to a local vending machine, to your hands.

How will funds be used?: Art Sticks requests your support for general operations to continue bringing more art to more people in our community.

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Boredom Fighters

Requested: \$2,500

Mission: Our purpose is to empower St. Vrain Valley youth, including those who are disadvantaged, in manifesting sustainable futures in music. We meet youth where they are musically and teach them about modern music-making techniques in a hands-on way. This method instills hope and excitement in them for the opportunities that lie ahead in the vast world of music studios. We provide workshops and mentorships while also creating safe studio spaces for kids to express themselves...

... and collaborate in schools, after school, at festivals, and at community centers.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for paying music producers to go into schools & venue rental fees to host our bi-weekly music production meetups for all ages!

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Requested: \$5,000

Friends of the Longmont Museum

Mission: Give to the Friends of the Longmont Museum and support this center for culture in Northern Colorado where people of all ages explore the history, experience art, and discover new ideas through dynamic programs, exhibitions, and events.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to continue to support our community in exploring culture, art and history!

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Seicento Baroque Ensemble

Requested: \$660

Mission: Seicento' means "six hundred" and refers to the culturally rich 1600s in Italy. Founded in 2011, Seicento Baroque Ensemble fills a void in the Colorado choral scene by performing worthy but rarely-heard music of the early baroque musical period. Our mission is to educate, uplift and inspire people with excellent, historically accurate performances of gorgeous music!

How will funds be used?: Seicento proposes bringing a trio of...

... professional Baroque musicians to an after-school program in the Children, Youth, and Family Services program of Longmont's Community Services department, to perform and respond to questions from the students.

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Society for Creative Aging dba VIVA Theater

Requested: \$1,000

Mission: VIVA Theater is an innovative theater company with a 20-year history of providing high-quality theatrical performances in Boulder County. Our target population is older adults although we encourage intergenerational participation at all levels of the organization. Board members, staff, volunteers, and audiences also come from all over Boulder County. VIVA Theater is led by older adults, which are often seen as an underrepresented community. Some of us are "retired" and some of us are still working in the mainstream. Our past and current professions reflect the richness of the Boulder County Community: we are scientists, teachers, parents, insurance executives, artists, musicians, and dancers. Some of us come to VIVA after a major life change.

How will funds be used?: For those who cannot travel to the theater and for those who remain concerned about exposure to COVID, VIVA will bring a production to the Longmont Senior Center.

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The Arts Studio D.B.A.
Firehouse Art Center

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: Our purpose is to provide the community with art education...

... exposure to contemporary art, and opportunities to connect with others through cultural events. The Firehouse has 3 galleries, a classroom, a ceramics studio, and 2 artist studios. We showcase over 22 unique exhibits in our gallery spaces yearly, and we are proud to be a no-admission fee gallery in keeping with our mission of inclusivity. The Firehouse continues to provide a diverse range of education, from classes for all ages & skills to multi-faceted outreach programs available at no cost to under-resourced populations. Our educational programs, poetry nights, meetups for musicians and filmmakers, festivals, rentals, and meetings are how we integrate the arts into our community.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for Slay the Runway to be used for supplies and instructor fees so that we can keep this program free for our participants, LGBTQIA+ teens and their allies.

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WOW! Children's Museum

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: WOW! Children's Museum inspires every child's learning and curiosity through play. We do this by providing exceptional play-based learning for the diverse families of our communities – inspiring all families to nurture their children's curiosity and spark a lifelong love of learning. As part of our Play For All Initiative, WOW! offers low-sensory times for children with autism or other sensory processing disorders to explore the museum and engage with their caregivers without the overwhelming environment often found during daily play times. Our Sensory Friendly Playtimes include special holiday events where families can enjoy traditional activities geared specifically for their unique needs. Our experts provide community resources as well.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for enhancing and expanding our Sensory Friendly Playtimes – bringing in additional experts and adaptive equipment and continuing to provide times just for families of children with autism or sensory processing disorders.

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East County Housing
Opportunity Coalition

Requested: \$6,000

Mission: The East County Housing Opportunity Coalition supports local governments in their efforts to fund and create affordable housing. We do this through research, training, and advocacy. We generate support for housing from people in the community to counter opposition. We work to ensure that affordable housing policies are effective through advocacy. We communicate through the media and social media to engage more people in our work.

How will funds be used?: We need funds to upgrade our website, and connect it better and more deliberately to our social media, to do a better job of educating the public about affordable housing. community.

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League of Women Voters of Boulder County

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: The mission of the League of Women Voters of Boulder County (LWVBC) is to empower voters and defend democracy. We seek to build a democracy in which every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate. We encourage informed and active participation in government, and work to influence public...

... policy through education and advocacy.

How will funds be used?: LWVBC seeks funding for our Community Conversations. These events, occurring at local businesses, enable community education and engagement on local and state social and policy issues.

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EDUCATION

Born To Read

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: The mission of Born to Read (now in our 31st year, thanks to our generous volunteers and donors) is to promote childhood literacy in the St. Vrain Valley. In support of our mission, we provide to Longmont United Hospital and UCHealth's Longs Peak Hospital hundreds of cloth tote bags that are distributed by nursing staff to parents of newborn babies. With all materials in either English or Spanish, each bag contains two board books suitable for reading to an infant along with materials on the benefits of reading to babies, plus a "Kids Card" that can be exchanged at Longmont Public Library for the baby's first library card. Also in each bag is a bookmark with information on other resources and an evaluation form to be returned to BTR.

How will funds be used?: We seek funds for cloth tote bags, infant board books, and printed materials on the benefits of reading to one's baby, given to parents of newborns at our local hospitals.

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Boulder Community
Broadcast Association

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: KGNU Community Radio's Media Gardens program seeks to nurture and harvest youth voices by offering Boulder County youth...

...media literacy, media ownership, and audio production skill-building opportunities. Through the exploration and production of audio narratives, Media Gardens helps generate awareness for the broader public about the lived experiences of youth. Each year, KGNU collaborates with multiple youth-serving organizations and educational institutions to provide customized modules that fit our partners' priorities and elevate the voices of youth. Our Media Education Trainer facilitates youth workshops with partner liaisons or teachers while providing access to KGNU's resources and equipment to develop radio-quality content.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for working with Out Boulder County's LGBTQ+ teenage youth group in Longmont to develop a series of podcasts centered on topics that are relevant to this population that is generally underrepresented by media outlets.

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Carbon Valley Chapter, NSDAR

Requested: \$1,310

Mission: Carbon Valley Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution's purpose is to provide community services and support in the areas of education, patriotism, and historic preservation. Education budget items include \$400 (\$100 to each school) for new history books to middle school libraries on a 3-year rotating schedule. All middle schools are invited to participate; a \$250 stipend to an Outstanding Teacher of American History in the Carbon Valley area, and \$360 for a Middle School Essay on The Second Continental Congress. Which colony are you from and what will be important for you to accomplish for your colony? Awards for each grade 6th - 8th will have - 1st \$50, 2nd \$40, and 3rd \$30; and Good Citizen Essay Award to a high school senior - \$300.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for our education budget for middle school and high school student participants and an outstanding teacher of American History for the 2023 year.

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Coal Creek Adult Education Center

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Coal Creek Adult Education Center is a Colorado 501c3 nonprofit organization. We offer English as a Second Language courses as well as High School Equivalency Preparation (GED, HiSET) Courses to vulnerable populations in Longmont, Broomfield, and North Metro Denver. We also offer virtual classes via Google classroom to students in our service area and all of Colorado. All of our high-quality, professional courses are taught by paid instructors at zero cost to students. We are seeking support for our Longmont High School Equivalency (GED,HiSET) class offered in partnership with OUR center. Our class has been running successfully for one full year with very positive reviews serving about 12 students per 7-week session.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to cover direct instructional costs and books for one year in Longmont at the OUR center location. Classroom space is offered in kind from OUR center and Longmont and admin costs are provided by other funding streams.

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Colorado Statewide
Parent Coalition

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: The Colorado Statewide Parent Coalition provides...

... educational advocacy and training for parents, and childcare providers to be meaningfully engaged in the success of their children's education to close the opportunity gap and ensure successful future educational outcomes. In July 2022, CSPC merged with ELPASO, acquiring their Exito, Voz, and Tutoring programs. Goals Goal 1: Provide culturally competent training to Friend Family Neighbor (FFN) in-home child caregivers. Goal 2: Promote equitable educational opportunities for children and their families. Goal 3: Provide parent training to Latinx families with preschool/school-aged children. Goal 4: Provide advocacy for marginalized communities of color including children with disabilities.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to provide computers for participants of our Exito ECE parent training program. This support would provide the technology to allow financially restricted participants to access this programming.

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Cottonwood Institute

Requested: \$2,500

Mission: Cottonwood Institute (CI) is on a mission to connect middle and high school students to nature and inspire them to protect it. Our vision is to awaken the changemaker within every student. CI believes that we can't expect students to care about the environment or to protect it until they first have an opportunity to explore nature and develop a powerful connection to it. CI programs actively break down barriers for under-resourced youth to access nature and high-quality educational enrichment programs by providing free programming to students and by providing free access to the gear, transportation, and professional instruction they need to successfully participate ...

... in their Cl program.

How will funds be used?: To help fund a week-long summer program to explore nature with Casa de la Esperanza, a housing initiative serving migrant farm workers and their families in Longmont, CO. Casa looks forward to their program with Cottonwood Institute every summer.

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Crossroads School

Requested: \$6,000

Mission: The mission of Crossroads School is to assist students who have experienced academic and/or behavioral struggles in traditional schools to reach their potential through an individually distinctive, learner-appropriate program. Through individualized, mastery-based, highly-relational education, we help failing students rebuild their skills and confidence, earn a diploma, and create a positive plan for their future.

How will funds be used?: Just \$250 covers the cost of a full day of empowering education for a class of eight students and begins to turn their lives around. How many days can you fund? No matter how big or small, your investment will produce dividends in changed lives!

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Dynamic Therapy
Services

Requested: \$1,500

Mission: Dynamic Therapy Services is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that helps families access pediatric therapy services which use...

... movement as a main treatment strategy. DTS connects families with small-business providers who emphasize family coaching and movement in learning. Children who benefit significantly from movement-based approaches often require multiple types of therapies (not covered by insurance), and families are unable to cover the total cost. DTS recognizes that movement-based learning is not "alternative" but is instead foundational: when children receive high-quality movement-based therapy approaches, it eases the family's routines, providing benefit to the whole family. DTS serves the Boulder-Denver Area, including Longmont.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to fund one intensive set of therapy sessions for a child and their family who is not able to pay for the services themselves.

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Growing Gardens

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: In Longmont and across Boulder County, Growing Gardens has evolved with changing community needs and is now the only organization in the region that donates fresh, organic, local food while also providing education and resources to empower individuals to grow their own family's food. Our Longmont Food Project Farm engages children, teens, adults, and families in sustainable and regenerative agriculture, cultivates interest in nutritious, locally grown food, and promotes mental and physical health through gardening activities. We practice and teach regenerative and sustainable agriculture to promote community resiliency and educate community members about nature-based climate solutions they can implement at home.

How will funds be used?: To help fund a week-long summer program to explore nature with Casa de la Esperanza, a housing initiative serving migrant farm workers and their families in Longmont, CO. Casa looks forward to their program with Cottonwood Institute every summer.

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I Have A Dream Foundation of Boulder County

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: The mission of the "I Have A Dream" Foundation of Boulder County (IHDF) is to empower children from under-resourced communities to succeed in school, college, and career by providing academic, social, and emotional support from elementary school through postsecondary education, along with a postsecondary tuition assistance scholarship. Our dream is a world where all children have equal access to the educational and career opportunities that will ignite their innate potential.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to for our 2Gen programming to improve youth and adult educational attainment, which will help break cycles of poverty, build stronger leaders throughout Boulder County, and create more upward mobility during a child's life.

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Integral Steps

Requested: \$2,600

Mission: Integral Steps offers classes and events integrating cognitive, physical, and social-emotional development. Our curriculum includes...

... music, movement, art, language, yoga, and science into a seamless experience. We support the balanced development of children, individuals, and families through integrative learning. We serve Longmont, Superior, Louisville, Boulder, Broomfield, Aurora, Ft. Collins, Windsor, and Loveland, and collaborate with organizations across the country for special projects. Our programs encourage the development of strong family relationships and participation in local community life. We partner with small businesses and arts/educational organizations and offer workshops and professional development for adults.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for 9 need-based scholarships for music and movement classes in Longmont

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Junior Achievement-Rocky
Mountain, Inc.

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: Junior Achievement's (JA) purpose is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy. JA exists so every child, regardless of background, is equipped with the knowledge and skills they'll need to be optimistic, determined, innovative, and economically self-sufficient. JA implements in-school and off-site experiential programs for K-12 students, delivered by volunteers who share their experience on career readiness, financial literacy, and entrepreneurship.

How will funds be used?: We request \$3,000 to support the total cost of \$32,000 to serve 800 St. Vrain Valley students. These funds will provide JA programs for 75 students in 3 classes at one of these elementary schools: Sanborn, Blue Mountain, Fall River, or Legacy.

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Longmont High School

Requested: \$8,000

Mission: Our group, Unidos at Longmont High School creates a nurturing peer-supported environment/community for first-generation Latino students and encourages them to create cultural and inclusive spaces for leadership, college readiness/career readiness, and cultural expression; as well as supporting one another to thrive and inspire Latino/a (as well as underrepresented population) voices.

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Another objective of Unidos is to bridge communication between all stakeholders: Middle School collaboration, increased staff support, and community involvement.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for future field trips, Unidos t-shirts/stickers, guest speakers, college application fees, AP test fees, as well as supplies for our group to do community services.

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Longmont Public Media

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Longmont Public Media is a 501c3 nonprofit whose mission is devoted to the education, production, and distribution of local media. Our purpose is to serve as a community center, incubator, and resource for aspiring or experienced content creators across all media forms.

How will funds be used?: We are seeking the support of \$5000 to help create a Student Scholarship program and subsidize the costs of Longmont Public Media memberships to provide students with greater access and resources to learn, create, and distribute media.

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Mwebaza Foundation

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Since 2007, Mwebaza Foundation has been building collaborative partnerships between schools in Uganda and Colorado. As an educational organization, we work with students to inspire global citizens through cross-cultural learning opportunities that foster a global understanding and a deepened worldview. Students at 11 different schools grow knowledge and understanding through cross-cultural learning opportunities that foster a sense of self and a deepened worldview. Through partnership networks in Uganda, people have the opportunity to engage in programs that build power and agency. With power and agency, people can continue to seek knowledge and develop the skills to understand and address the issues that their communities are facing.

How will funds be used?: Due to market fluctuations, we haven't met financial goals with our endowment. We are requesting funding for general operating costs that allow our small organization to meet students' needs in classrooms in Colorado while the market recovers.

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Open Door ESL (Calvary Church)

Requested: \$3,600

Mission: Open Door's mission is to help our community members reach a better quality of life and achieve their life goals by providing opportunities to receive a high school diploma, college preparation, and better job opportunities. Open Door lifts students who come from less affluent and/or non-English speaking households onto a level playing field with their more advantaged peers by providing classes that...

... improve students' writing, reading, listening, technology and speaking skills. By charging an affordable rate for classes and tuition assistance that removes cost as barrier to entry, Open Door provides access to quality learning for historically underrepresented/underresourced families.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to hire 3 more teachers so we can add more classes and get students off our wait list.

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Pop Culture Classroom

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: Pop Culture Classroom's mission is to inspire a love of learning, increase literacy, celebrate diversity, and build community through the tools of popular culture and the power of self-expression. We offer high quality, inclusive, customizable workshops for classrooms & afterschool programs by hiring and training teaching artists. We also offer free resources including historical graphic novels and full curricular units on our website. Our staff also train educators on the use of pop culture in the classroom as a tool for engaging learners & enriching the educational experience.

How will funds be used?: We are expanding to serve the St. Vrain Valley! We seek funding for supplies, recruiting and training teachers, marketing, travel, and offering free or reduced rate to programs to schools and programs that would otherwise not be able to afford them.

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St. Vrain Valley Schools Education Foundation

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Our mission is to provide resources and educational opportunities, in partnership with St. Vrain Valley Schools and our local communities, to enhance student success and teacher excellence. As a result, our goal is to supplement the traditional education experience in ways that maximize the effectiveness of teachers and result in enhanced student achievement in an increasingly complex and competitive worldwide environment. We have the opportunity to positively impact over 32,000 students and 1,500 teachers annually.

How will funds be used?: We are seeking support for our general operating costs. With more funding for our general operating costs we can focus on our mission to serve students and teacher excellence.

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The Heart of Longmont First
United Methodist
Congregation

Requested: \$35,000

Mission: HOL has hosted Wild Plum for over 55 years. HOL is in the process of donating 3/4 acre of land to The Inn Between for the construction of 11 apartment units to provide affordable housing alternatives for low-income families. As a result of this land donation, HOL must undertake the relocation of the playground dedicated to Wild Plum. This will come at a cost of roughly \$70,000 to be covered with grants, individual donors, and contributed labor from the community and church.

How will funds be used?: Relocation of an outdoor learning center for the Wild Plum program.

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The Kiva Center

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: The mission of The Kiva Center is to build inner strength and compassion in Colorado's youth through transformational nature-connection experiences. Kiva programs foster a community where kids can feel safe, connected, and free to explore their curiosities in the outdoors and discover the unique gifts they carry to share with the world. Three core goals of the organization are to help close the gap in environmental education, build skills for environmental stewardship, and ensure Colorado's youth have access to the bountiful rewards of outdoor learning. We accomplish these goals through homeschool enrichment programs, summer camps, afterschool programs, and public school outreach programs.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used to buy computers for the Co-Directors so that we have reliable technology to run the non-profit.

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The St. Vrain Historical Society, Inc.

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: HThe St. Vrain Historical Society (SVHS) seeks to foster an appreciation of local Longmont history through our historic preservation and education efforts. Central to our mission are the four historic properties we maintain/preserve for the community's use, enjoyment, and education: Old Mill Park, Old St. Stephen's Church, Historic Hoverhome, and the Hover Farmstead. We are dedicated to the preservation and use of these sites by providing educational programming and outreach (Pioneer Days at Old Mill Park, and...

...Historic Hoverhome Public Tours) as well as assisting with general local historical research. We also continue two long-standing Longmont traditions Pumpkin Pie Days and Strawberry Festival which are much-loved community fundraisers.

How will funds be used?: We are seeking support for the continued preservation/ support of Old St. Stephen's Church, which was vandalized twice in August of 2022. Funds will not only address the effects of the vandalism but the church's long-term care and needs.

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The Tiny Tim Center, Inc., dba TLC Learning Center

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: TLC Learning Center was founded in 1956 as The Tiny Tim Cerebral Palsy Center by Longmont parents to create a nurturing space within the community for children with special needs and typically developing children, creating a fully inclusive early learning environment. TLC serves children from infancy to kindergarten-ready, providing a continuum of care with appropriate early interventions and creating a foundation for emotional and educational stability. Therapeutic Services have been offered at TLC since its inception and in 1997 the program expanded to provide support in its early learning program at the Longmont campus, in homes, and in the community to help children struggling with the hurdles of a developmental delay or disability.

How will funds be used?: TLC requests support for the recruitment, training, and retention of Early Childhood Educators, especially those with special education training.

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Wild Plum Center for Young Children and Families

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: Wild Plum Center is a non-profit focused on early childhood education. We currently serve hundreds of children ages birth to five, offering a complete continuum of care and education for this critical developmental window. WPC families are all below the federal poverty level and over 80% of the families we serve are from the Latino community. The WPC is the only early childhood education program in the area that offers individualized and comprehensive services to both the child and the family. All services of our services are free to our children and families. Our primary mission is to prepare children for a lifetime of learning and self-sufficiency by providing a comprehensive, individualized approach to early learning and family wellness.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for expansion of our services. Our Mobile Classroom will go into the Longmont community starting in the Summer of 2023. Additionally, we will be offering expanded services for our families with longer hours and more days in the fall.

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YMCA of Northern Colorado

Requested: \$7,500

Mission: The YMCA of Northern Colorado is the leading nonprofit committed to strengthening the community by connecting all people to their potential, purpose, and each other. Working locally, we focus on empowering young people, improving health and well-being, and inspiring action in and across communities. By bringing together people from different backgrounds, perspectives, and generations, we ensure that we all have access to the opportunities, relationships, and...

...resources necessary to learn, grow and thrive. More than 50,000 youth, families and adults from all walks of life are served annually by the YMCA of Northern Colorado. Our facilities include the Boulder Y, Longmont Y, Lafayette Y, Johnstown Y, Cheyenne Y and Camp Santa Maria overnight camp.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for our vulnerable Inspire Preschool families attending the YMCA's Longmont childcare program. Your donations will provide financial assistance for preschool families as well as access to our food program.

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ENVIRONMENT/CLIMATE

Drylands Agroecology Research

Requested: \$7,600

Mission: At Drylands Agroecology Research, we envision the transformation of dry, marginalized, abandoned landscapes into lush ecosystems where humans, nature, and spirit thrive. Our mission is to create that reality by doing our part to restore the Earth and our communities through Regenerative Design. Regenerative Systems Design is grounded in the understanding that all human, ecological, agricultural, and economic systems are interconnected. DAR uses regenerative design to transform degraded landscapes into thriving, relationship-dense ecosystems that revitalize the soil, restore hydrological cycles, sequester carbon, support biodiversity, provide abundant food and resource, and support thriving human culture and livelihood.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for curriculum design and implementation for our Food Sovereignty Training Program. This program provides training and land for food production to youth from marginalized communities in Boulder County.

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Eco-Cycle, Inc.

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Eco-Cycle's mission is to innovate, implement, and advocate for Zero Waste solutions to foster a more regenerative, equitable, and climate-resilient future. We believe that individual and community action can transform society's throw-away ethic into environmental stewardship, and the best way to change a culture of waste is to educate and engage children, motivating them and their families to protect the environment. Eco-Cycle's Green Star Schools program makes Zero Waste an integral part of the daily school routine for students and teachers at Longmont public schools. The program aims to change student behavior and reduce school waste through environmental education, field trips, resource conservation, recycling, and composting.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to make our Growing Green farm field trip accessible to under-resourced schools in Longmont. Students learn the value of diverting food from landfills through composting, which supports healthy soils and local farmers.

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Sustainable Alliances
Inc.

Requested: \$2,500

Mission: Project Qanil will directly address the shortage of ecotypic native seeds for post-disaster restoration – having the right seeds for the right habitats at the right time. Our regenerative, holistic farm will also produce high-quality, affordable food, engage local communities, and create plant material for pollinator corridors and native plant materials for future post-disaster ecological restoration. We also include engagement strategies for underserved communities. An example is...

...almost-free food at the end of market days. This creates a non-judgmental space for families to stop by and pick up food at a steeply discounted price and drastically reduces food waste. We've created an enabling environment by collaborating with 10 local organizations.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for wages and native seed purchases.

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Sustainable Resilient Longmont

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Sustainable Resilient Longmont collaborates with the Longmont community to cultivate a sustainable and thriving city. As the local hub for environmental education, advocacy and action, we support the three pillars of sustainability: environmental protection, responsible economic growth, and social equity. We are focused on improving the sustainability and quality of life in our community through three main program areas: Renewable Energy, Zero Waste, and our family-oriented annual Longmont Earth Day Celebration. Since our founding, we have maintained one clear message throughout the years: there is hope for the future of humanity and our amazing planet if we work together on solving global challenges at a local level.

How will funds be used?: We seek general operating support for our environmental education and advocacy programs

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Thorne Nature Experience

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Thorne Nature Experience exists to provide joyful, hands-on, place-based environmental education experiences to ALL Boulder County youth, regardless of race, ethnicity, or family income. Thorne accomplishes its mission through three core programs: school programs, summer camp programs, and ECE programs. Each one exists to help connect youth to nature, with an emphasis on reaching youth from low-income families and youth of color. The goal is to improve physical, mental, and social/emotional health and academic achievement while simultaneously building the next generation of Earth stewards.

How will funds be used?: Thorne seeks \$5,000 for program

How will funds be used?: Thorne seeks \$5,000 for program scholarships to ensure that ALL Boulder County youth have the opportunity to connect with nature and the health benefits it provides.

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HEALTH

Colorado Therapeutic Riding Center

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: The mission of the Colorado Therapeutic Riding Center is to change the lives of people with disabilities by promoting their physical, psychological, and social well being through equine-assisted activities and therapies. CTRC serves roughly 500 clients a year ages three to 103+ with mental and physical disabilities, such as depression, autism, bipolar, PTSD, muscular dystrophy, amputees, hearing and visual impairment, and chromosomal disabilities, among others. With 15 staff, a 1,000 volunteer workforce, and 28+ horses, CTRC started in a park in Longmont in 1980 and is a Premier accredited center with PATH International. Using the three-dimensional movement of the horse with the synergy in the arena, lives are transformed and changed.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for general operations.

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Community Roots Midwife Collective

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: Community Roots Midwife Collective (CRMC) supports the health and well-being of pregnant people, families, and those of reproductive age, by providing compassionate, high-quality, and...

...comprehensive midwifery care, through community building, education, and healthcare services, while striving to increase midwifery access for all in Boulder County and surrounding areas with a focus on St. Vrain Valley. CRMC's programs include: prenatal, birth, and postpartum in-home care; classes and education; safe public spaces for families to learn about and feed their babies, and upholding ancestral healing traditions.

How will funds be used?: Your donation will go towards Ancestral Womb and Postpartum Support Care led by and for Indigenous Women. This brings healing treatments, reproductive, and emotional health education and support to communities in Boulder and on Native Reservations.

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Dental Aid

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: Dental Aid's mission is to improve the quality of life of children and adults by providing compassionate, accessible, affordable, high-quality dental care and education. Our vision is a community where the link between oral health, general health, and quality of life is understood and promoted. We work towards this community by creating access to comprehensive dental care for all individuals who seek it including emergency, preventive, restorative, and specialized care — as well as hospitalized care in the case of young children presenting with extreme dental disease. We treat patients in all stages of life — from infancy through old age — regardless of income or other marginalizing circumstances.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for our Adult Assured Access Fund (Group 1: ages 20 thru 54, and Group 2: ages 55plus)..

...which exists to help low-income, uninsured, and underinsured adults cover the cost of their dental care.

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Life Choices Pregnancy Center

Requested:

\$ 2,500

Mission: Life Choices Pregnancy Center comes alongside those who are facing unplanned pregnancies, offers healing from post-abortion stress, and educates about sexual life choices. Our goal is to educate our clients on all their options so that each can confidently make a choice that affirms their health and dignity. Our centers provide free pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, along with advocacy and community resources in a confidential and non-judgmental environment. We support our clients and their families by providing maternity clothes and baby supplies. Our education program provides presentations for middle and high school students with factual information presented through interactive tools and games. All services are provided at no cost.

How will funds be used?: We seek \$2,500 to expand our services to include STI testing and treatment at no cost to our clients.

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Qualified Listeners Corp.

Requested: \$8,240

Mission: Qualified Listeners Corp. is a Veteran support hub performing the mission of "Helping Veterans and Families Find More Peace in Their Life". We reduce the number of suicides by providing support services that reduce life stresses which can ultimately lead to suicide...

...We accomplish this by providing services not provided by others. If a Veteran is stuck without a service the stress will increase. We reduce these stresses so anxiety does not elevate to a dangerous point.

How will funds be used?: We seek assistance to cover the projected costs of 103 Missions in your service area for 2023, at \$80.00 per Mission. These numbers are based on what we did in 2022.

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HUMAN SERVICES

A Way Forward, Inc.

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: We fill a gap in community nonprofit services by offering wrap-around services and evidence-based recovery classes facilitated by peers as well as individual recovery coaching with Certified Recovery Coaches. We are open 7 days a week and all services are free. Inclusive access to high-quality services is paramount and for that reason, all of our structured classes use Hazelden Betty Ford materials, known worldwide for their recovery services. Peers provide all services. All our staff has walked the road of recovery either personally or with family members. Evidence suggests that a peer-supported community program focused on self-determination can have a significant positive impact on recovery from substance addictions and homelessness.

How will funds be used?: This grant will cover the cost of an eightweek Intensive Outpatient Program for one person.

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ABLE to Sail

Requested: \$11,100

Mission: To prevent teen drug use, teen suicide, self-harm, as well as school shootings and other violence related to bullying and low self-image, by TEACHING self-esteem. We discuss applying every sailing...

...lesson, metaphorically, as a lesson in life, to deconstruct the painful beliefs of "not enoughness," in its various forms, active in over 85% of our youth. These painful beliefs seek pain relief and are a foundational cause of depression, anxiety, use of chemicals, suicide, and most school shootings.

ER visits for suspected suicide attempts in 2021 were 50.6% higher among teens aged 12–17, compared with 2019.

Self-esteem is a skill which can be learned, and, with teen culture today, we MUST be teaching, if we are to stem this destructive tide.

How will funds be used?: This grant will cover the cost of an eightweek Intensive Outpatient Program for one person.

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Agape Safe Haven

Requested: \$2,000

Mission: Agape Safe Haven is a sober overnight shelter for homeless men. Our capacity is limited to six (6) men. Our guests are selected from an application and interview process. When a guest enters the program they will have a guaranteed bed for an entire year. Safe Haven selects guests based on several criteria such as: making a concerted effort to become self-sufficient, emotionally or physically vulnerable, etc. We also offer Day Shelter services every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9 am to 3 pm at our shelter located at 10656 Park Ridge Ave., Longmont. Anyone experiencing homelessness to come to the shelter to shower, wash their clothing/bedding, eat a hot lunch, and fellowship with our staff and volunteers.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to help with food costs associated with Day Shelter meals.

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American Red Cross

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: We have been dedicated to serving those in need since Clara Barton founded the Red Cross in 1881. We received our first Congressional charter in 1900. To this day, we are tasked with providing services to veterans and members of the American armed forces, as well as their families. The Red Cross developed the first nationwide civilian blood program in the 1940s, and present-day still supplies more than 40% of blood products in the U.S. We work alongside first responders, fire departments, and law enforcement to provide disaster relief and recovery services for those impacted by disasters, from single home fires to large natural weather-related events, as well as mass casualties and other humanitarian crises in the U.S. and around the world.

How will funds be used?: Every 8 minutes the Red Cross responds to a disaster, mainly home fires. We seek support for Sound the Alarm, a key part of our Home Fire Campaign. Through smoke alarm installations and evacuation plans, we are making communities safer.

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Association for Community Living

Requested: \$2,000

Mission: The Association for Community Living is an advocacy agency for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities (IDD). The ACL serves people with IDD, from birth to the end of life, & where family members are involved they are included in the advocacy process. Individual advocacy protects the civil and human rights of the people we serve and moves them over the long term to greater self-sufficiency. The ACL's group & systems advocacy creates opportunities for people...

...with IDD to participate in typical activities throughout their communities. We provide groups & training to self-advocates, families, and professionals that raise awareness, & broaden perceptions within the community to deepen the communities capacity to include people with IDD.

How will funds be used?: We are requesting general operating funding to support our advocacy efforts for residents of the St Vrain Valley with IDD.

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Audio Information Network of Colorado

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Audio Information Network of Colorado supports people who struggle to read – typically older adults with vision loss. We offer "Audio Editions" of local print and we offer "AINC Originals." Audio Editions is programming like newspapers, sales ads, travel info, magazines, etc. These are read and recorded by volunteers and then are made available as a broadcast, as a live stream, and on-demand (Apple Podcasts, Spotify, etc.) AINC Originals are self-produced programming (podcasts) for people with vision loss discuss with empowerment, tech resources, benefits, self-advocacy, and MUCH MUCH more. All listeners who register receive a free smart speaker to listen, and a free in-home setup.

How will funds be used?: AINC seeks support to make Colorado equitable for people with visual impairment.

Blue Sky Bridge

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: The mission of Blue Sky Bridge is to foster safe communities, healing, and justice to end child abuse. The agency facilitates a collaborative approach to child abuse investigations while supporting child victims and their families in a safe and child-focused environment. Through intervention, EDUCATION, and advocacy, Blue Sky Bridge strives to make the Boulder County community safer for all children and families.

The agency offers a beloved prevention education program in SVVSD for students, parents, and school staff. This program offers tips and resources for parents, training for school personnel on the issue of child abuse and how to respond to disclosures, and developmentally appropriate lessons for K, 3rd, and 5th grade students.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to expand our child abuse prevention education program in the St. Vrain Valley School District. Every \$5000 we raise brings us to another SVVSD school.

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Boulder Community Housing Corporation (CASA de la Esperanza)

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Casa de la Esperanza Learning Center (Casa) is tailored to the unique needs of the 32 seasonal farm worker families of this housing unit, with services after school hours and summer. Academic support services, enrichment opportunities, and access to essential resources are provided by the Learning Center promoting educational achievement toward greater self-sufficiency.

How will funds be used?: Funding will support the Casa Robotics and STEM program.

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Boulder County RSVP Board, Inc DBA Cultivate

Requested: \$2,500

Mission: Cultivate is dedicated to supporting thousands of low-income seniors maintain their independence while facing increasing age related challenges. Our mission is to help seniors flourish through active engagement with their communities. Cultivate's purpose is to promote the security, comfort, and independence of older adults in Boulder County. Cultivate offers unique programs and services which were created in response to unmet needs including access to nutrition, healthcare, personal safety, and housing improvements. Through Cultivate's free Safety Net Services, we fill a significant gap among services that target this vulnerable population and meet seniors' critical needs for food, healthcare, and personal safety.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used to support general operating expenses to continue serving Longmont seniors with our no-cost services.

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Boulder Emergency Squad

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: BES has served Boulder County since 1963 and has over 60 volunteer members. Volunteer members respond 24x7 to 911 calls along with Fire, Police, and Sheriff. BES responds to between 100 and 250 calls each year, ranging from river rescues, drownings and ice rescues, to structure and wildland fires, to crime scenes and missing person...

...searches. Dispatched through 911, BES responds immediately to emergency situations of all types. BES saves lives!

Every year, BES provides services in the St. Vrain Valley. BES was called to 31 incidents in the Longmont area in 2022. BES spent a total of 391 person-hours on calls in this area.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used to support emergency services in the St. Vrain Valley.

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Boulder Pride dba Out Boulder County

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: Working independently and in collaboration, Out Boulder County facilitates connection, advocacy, education, research and programs to ensure LGBTQ+ people and communities thrive in Boulder County and beyond.

Our Out Youth Program (for LGBTQ+ youth and allies) runs three weekly support groups, and one of the best-attended groups is held in Longmont. The program strives to help youth thrive in their personal lives and in the broader community, and offers social-emotional support, referrals to mental health services, and opportunities for engagement in leadership, volunteerism, and events. All of our groups and programs are free and drop-in, which allows us to provide immediate support and flexibility for youth and their families.

How will funds be used?: To ensure LGBTQ+ youth, families, and allies have a safe space to find connection and support in Longmont, we're requesting help to cover supplies and other programmatic costs.

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Boulder Shelter for the Homeless

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: Since 1982, the Shelter has provided some of our community's most vulnerable residents a safe, warm bed, a healthy meal, and a little bit of dignity. We have been open without pause during the pandemic, and in the past year, we provided a warm bed and a nutritious meal for 1,310 clients.

Helping Coloradans access affordable housing is an emphasis of all our programs, including Housing–Focused Shelter, Permanent Supportive Housing (serving chronically homeless clients), Diversion (helping people to not become homeless in the first place), or BTHERE (which engages with people who have not accessed Shelter services). In all, we arranged stable, independent housing for 90 people during the past year.

How will funds be used?: We seek general operating support to continue our programs to create avenues to stable housing for our community's homeless adults, from a foundation of supportive and safe shelter.

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Boulder Voices for Children

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: Since 1985, Boulder Voices for Children (BVFC) has provided our community's most vulnerable children with Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers who ensure their needs are being met as they move through the child welfare system. BVFC recruits and trains volunteers who are appointed by the courts to serve as advocates for these children, many who have experienced abuse and neglect. A CASA gets to know the child while also gathering information from the...

...child's family, teachers, doctors and anyone else involved in the child's life in order to make independent recommendations to help the judge decide what's best for the child. They are a consistent presence for a child or family of children throughout their entire case.

How will funds be used?: We are seeking funds to provide for necessary technology infrastructure upgrades that were pushed back during the pandemic. This includes upgrades for PCs or PC components, network, and security hardware.

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Bridge House

Requested: \$1,000

Mission: Bridge House's Ready to Work (RTW) program provides the most innovative and transformational solutions to homelessness in our community. As the only "work-works" program in Colorado, RTW combines paid employment in a social enterprise combined with dormitory-style housing and case management support services for one year, as pathway to independence for adults experiencing homelessness. RTW operates two social enterprises – an Outdoor Landscaping operation as well as our Community Table Kitchen commercial production facility. Trainees work in social enterprises, gain work skills, earn income, and pay taxes. RTW operates in Boulder. Many of our clients come from Longmont and move back to the area after graduation.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be cover one week's cost of a trainee in the Ready to Work Program. This includes housing, meals, laundry, transportation to/from work, case management, etc.

Bridge to Justice

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: As an impact-oriented social enterprise, our mission is to serve the residents of Colorado by bridging the gap between legal needs and legal access with affordable, high-quality legal services. Bridge to Justice fees is normally about one-half to one-third of the fees charged by commercial law firms. This differential allows access by many more clients from lower income brackets to access quality legal services at lower cost.

How will funds be used?: Funding will be applied towards the legal fees of a low-income, City of Longmont resident involved in a high conflict, post-decree divorce, or child custody case where parenting time of a child is at issue.

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Coal Creek Meals on Wheels

Requested: \$2,000

Mission: Coal Creek Meals on Wheels addresses nutritional challenges and the growing concern of isolation and loneliness among homebound individuals, offering regular visits to combat isolation, support, and referrals for continuity of care. Hot meals are delivered Monday-Friday with frozen meals provided for weekends and holidays. Lunch is also served in our Coal Creek Café for any community members Monday-Friday. Our goals are to reduce hunger, help older adults remain in their community, reduce the at-risk 60+ population, and reduce the usage of and strain on community emergency resources.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for general operating expenses.

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Colorado FriendShip

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Colorado FriendShip provides food and clothing to those in need in our community. We have served in Longmont and Boulder since 1998. Our IncrEdibles program provides bags of healthy, non-perishable, easy to prepare foods to children at Longmont schools every weekend throughout the school year. Currently, we are serving 600 children across 11 schools. These children receive school meals during the week, but may have little or nothing to eat at home over the weekend. These bags help provide some nutrition so they can return to school on Monday morning ready to learn. We have an all volunteer team from the community that packs these bags and delivers them to the schools for distribution to the children.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used to purchase the food for our IncrEdibles weekend food bags. \$5000 can provide 1000 bags of weekend food to food-insecure children in Longmont. We provide over 20,000 bags of food a school year.

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El Comite de Longmont,Inc.

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: The purpose of El Comité de Longmont is to facilitate communication and understanding within the community to improve social justice, education, and economic status for the Latino, immigrant, and non-Latino community. El Comité serves as the county's bilingual, bicultural social service for Latinos. Clients come seeking support in meeting their basic needs and navigating unfamiliar systems. Case Managers assist clients in becoming self-sufficient through referrals, advocacy, and empowerment. We provide case management...

...citizenship processing, ESL, Citizenship test prep, and GED classes. We also provide translation and notary services. El Comité collaborates with six partnership agencies and six attorneys to offer additional services.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to update our office technology (new computers, a new external hard drive, an office cell phone, I-pads for client check-in, and a Square payment terminal) so that we can provide services more effectively.

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Family Village Foundation (Players Philanthropy Fund)

Requested: \$75,000

Mission: FVF is the fundraising arm of Family Village, a women- & community-owned cooperative that creates community spaces to integrate the work-life needs of parents with young kids. Modern parents -whether stay-at-home or working- need alternatives to traditional childcare & work solutions. Family Village provides affordable, flexible childcare & coworking, while ALSO affording parents the social, emotional & mental support they need. FVF provides our network of coops with access to start-up capital (which typically eludes female entrepreneurs & cooperatively-owned businesses) for the express purpose of creating more Villages. FVF believes that resourcing mothers is the greatest investment we can make in our children, & the future of our world.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to scout, set-up, and open a Family Village coop location in Longmont in 2023.

Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley

Requested: \$2,500

Mission: Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley brings people together to build homes, community, and hope. We offer homeownership opportunities to individuals and families with low and very low-income providing the opportunity to build strength, stability and self-reliance while building generational wealth. Habitat families put in 250–500 hours of sweat equity building their home and then purchase the home at cost from Habitat with a 0% interest mortgage provided by Habitat. The proceeds are reinvested in building more Habitat homes.

How will funds be used?: Habitat seeks multiple gifts of \$2,500 to support the cost of materials needed to build a home for a single volunteer day.

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Happiness Through Horses

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: The mission of Happiness Through Horses (HTH) is to heal the hearts of struggling youth through bonding with horses. We serve youth aged 12-19 with backgrounds that put them at risk of not graduating high school, becoming incarcerated, or attempting suicide. HTH founder, Kim Swaney, combines the deep bonds that youth develop with horses with mentoring programs like youth leadership and empowerment, community service, volunteering, one-on-one mentorship with a trained coach. She also provides community days for youth and their families. Research supports the positive impact of outdoor interactions with animals and nature for struggling youth.

How will funds be used?: We are seeking funds to install a children's playground, sandbox and fence at Happiness Ranch. As many families travel a long way, this playground will provide a safe space for young children while their older siblings participate in HTH programs.

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Immigrant Legal Center of Boulder County

Requested: \$2,500

Mission: The Immigrant Legal Center of Boulder County is non-profit law firm providing authorized legal representation and consultation to some of our most vulnerable community members: low-income immigrants. We represent immigrants before the U.S. Dept of Homeland Security at a price they can afford. In most communities, low-income immigrants turn to "notarios," or tax preparers for help with immigration applications because they cannot afford private attorneys. But Boulder County is unique. Our legal center combines the expertise of attorneys at the prices charged by "notarios." And Longmont residents are the greatest beneficiaries of our services. Our goal is to assure that Longmont residents have expert assistance with this adversarial process.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to help offset the cost of representing low-income immigrant community members before the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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Intercambio Uniting
Communities

Requested: \$3,500

Mission: Intercambio's volunteer-taught adult English classes support immigrants to gain the communication skills, confidence to ...

...communicate across language barriers, and personal connections to transform their lives. The Intercambio Way® of teaching English builds bonds of trust between immigrant students and volunteer teachers that bridge cultural differences, result in close friendships, and break down barriers of language, culture, race, and socioeconomic status to build a more equitable society.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to hold English classes for 250 adult immigrants in Longmont in 2023, supporting families to gain job stability and better engage in the community.

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Longmont Community

Justice Partnership

Requested: \$2,500

Mission: Longmont Community Justice Partnership (LCJP) was founded in 1994 in Longmont, Colorado, with the primary mission to prevent bullying. LCJP builds community through collaborative and inclusive restorative practices and gives people the opportunity to heal and create justice in their community and the world. Partnering with key local organizations, LCJP has served over 15,000 people and has a proven track record of resolving harms of crime and conflict, reintegrating responsible parties into the community, and reducing recidivism to almost zero. LCJP is the only RJ agency serving Longmont and the Saint Vrain Valley School District. Services are available in Spanish and English, and no one is turned away for financial reasons.

How will funds be used?: A donation of any amount helps support our work. \$2500 helps support one youth in our pre-file youth diversion program.

Longmont Food Rescue

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: Longmont Food Rescue's purpose is to build a more equitable food system and reduce food waste in Longmont by redistributing nutritious, perishable or soon-to-expire food directly to individuals experiencing food insecurity. Our no-questions-asked model addresses gaps in service for hunger relief efforts in our community, while mitigating the environmental impacts of food waste. A foundational goal is to eliminate barriers to access for food services, including any paperwork or proof of need, which increase stigma and can stop people from seeking hunger relief services. We envision a food system built on the conscientious collaboration of community members who are committed to a sustainable system of food practices.

How will funds be used?: We seek general operating support for our year-round hunger relief programs and our new community fridges

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Longmont Meals on Wheels

Requested: \$29,300

Mission: Longmont Meals on Wheels (LMOW) promotes client health and independence through good nutrition and social interaction. The agency helps older people and people with disabilities in Longmont, Niwot, Hygiene, and Lyons with proper, affordable nutrition so that they can stay self-sufficient in their own homes for as long as possible.

How will funds be used?: We seek support for our salad bar at the Longmont Senior Center and side salads delivered to clients. Cost is \$2,441/month, \$29,300/year.

Mountain States Children's Home

Requested: \$ 985

Mission: Mountain States Children's Home is a licensed, residential childcare program that serves at-risk children and adolescents with a goal of reuniting them with their parents or preparing them for independent living. We offer a deeper level of care by providing multiple programs. Education: on-site school, small class sizes, 4 academic grade levels of achievement per year on average and 100% graduation. Home: Each child lives in a home to call their own staffed with "house parents" where they learn responsibility, accountability and being part of a family. Therapy: Trauma-centered counseling provided for all residents with a therapeutic fitness program built in. Spiritual: We teach children principles like love, forgiveness and hope.

How will funds be used?: The VelociRAX 7-bike hitch-mounted bike rack will hold up to 7 bikes. This is needed for one vehicle to transport bikes for our therapeutic fitness program. This will prevent having to drive multiple vehicles for rides with the children.

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Moving to End Sexual Assault - MESA.

Requested: \$1,500

Mission: Moving to End Sexual Assault (MESA) is a program of Mental Health Center of Boulder County, Inc., d/b/a Mental Health Partners (MHP), which is a private, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. MESA was founded in 1972 as a community response to the abduction, rape, and shooting of two young girls in Boulder county. MESA is now in its 50th year of service in providing emotional support, crisis intervention, prevention education programs and medical and legal advocacy to survivors of sexual assault, their families, and friends. MESA is the only...

...sexual assault resource center in Boulder county. A significant portion of the program's client services are made possible through the efforts of volunteer advocates.

How will funds be used?: MESA seeks community support to be used for general operating and hotline/textline volunteer advocates appreciations of gifts and food.

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Outreach United Resource Center, Inc.

Requested: 3,000

Mission: OURCenter is an agency founded in 1986 with a mission to help people move toward self-sufficiency by unifying St Vrain Valley community resources. We serve up to 10,000 households annually, the largest population of any local Family Resource Center. Aspen Center for Child Development, a program of OUR Center, has been operating since 1989 and serves families with infants ages 6 weeks to young children up to age 6 with high-quality preschool and childcare, with tuition based on household income. We offer a "hand up" rather than a "hand out". We are seeking funding for childcare scholarships. Currently, administrative costs are only 11.2% of the total budget, maximizing the services rendered to participants from contributed dollars.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for child care scholarships.

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Parent Engagement Network

Requested: \$3,000

Mission: The Parent Engagement Network benefits communities by providing parents and caregivers the necessary tools and research needed to raise happy healthy humans. We provide strength-based programs and relevant resources. We facilitate parent groups to help them engage and build communities. We provide resources to educate parents about important issues. Post COVID we see more issues with parents and families. Our work is increasing. Our focus: Building Resilient Families, Reducing Stress & Anxiety, Preventing Drug & Alcohol Misuse and Raising Kids in a Digital Age. We are being asked to expand into many areas, reflecting the need for our programming. Our newest expansion is Longmont and the SVVSD and our partnership with the OUR Center.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to underwrite our programming and translation to insure that we can offer low-cost and free registrations to reach all populations in the Longmont area.

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Recovery Cafe Longmont

Requested: \$10,000

Mission: Recovery Café Longmont (RCL) is a community of refuge and healing for people in recovery from addiction, mental health, homelessness, and additional life challenges. The Café's model works by standing in the gap between crisis and stability, between post-treatment and long-term recovery, and between loneliness and loving community. Whether in crisis, newer to recovery, in long-term recovery, after a relapse, during a difficult life change, or mental health transition, the Café is a place of support and stability for all ...

... individuals seeking to break the cycle of destruction and despair.

RCL's programming is designed to help people maintain recovery, reduce relapse, and fulfill their potential. All services are free of charge.

How will funds be used?: Recovery Café Longmont gratefully requests support for a commercial kitchen and espresso station in our permanent location which will provide workplace readiness training opportunities for our members.

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Roberta's Legacy, Inc.

Requested: \$80,000

Mission: Our mission is to walk alongside those diagnosed with breast cancer and their families in the St Vrain Valley. Since we began in 2017, Roberta's Legacy has provided financial assistance for integrative treatments, rent, mortgage, groceries, gas, electric bills, funeral expenses and much more. 100% of donations made to Roberta's Legacy go directly to the families we are helping. Our goal is to nurture personal relationships with those living with breast cancer, providing individualized care and resources through a community of donors and partners. We started in 2017 walking alongside 4 families and today we are at 47 families.

How will funds be used?: One of our biggest priorities is to keep our families in their homes as they go through their breast cancer treatments. Housing is our biggest expense. We have budgeted \$80,000 for 2023.

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Safehouse Progressive
Alliance for Nonviolence
(SPAN)

Requested: \$3,500

Mission: Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Nonviolence (SPAN) is a social justice organization, committed to ending violence against adults, youth, and children. Since 1979 we have provided emergency shelter, and long term support services like counseling, legal advocacy, transitional services and housing advocacy to survivors of domestic violence and their children in Boulder and Broomfield counties.

How will funds be used?: Funding will support SPAN's services to children who have experienced family violence. Services include ageappropriate individual, family, and peer-based counseling and support groups.

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Senior Housing Options

Requested: \$1,500

Mission: The mission of SHO is to provide residential communities and caring services to enrich the lives of older adults in Colorado. Our Cinnamon Park campus in Longmont is home to 48 older adult residents in Assisted Living the majority of whom are on Medicaid, and 25 olderadult tenants in Subsidized Apartments. This is SHO's newest affordable housing and LIHTC (low-income housing tax credit) community. Cinnamon Park Assisted Living is staffed with around the clock care and in November 2022, Cinnamon Park Assisted Living had 376 hours of staffing over-time with a dollar cost of \$9,724 because of lack of staffing. This significantly impacts our bottom-line of providing affordable housing and critical services to those who need it most.

How will funds be used?: General Operating Funds at Cinnamon Park

Special Olympics

Requested: \$2,740

Mission: The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to fund a new Unified Champion School in the St Vrain Valley School District

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The Reentry Initiative

Requested: \$1,000

Mission: The Reentry Initiative (TRI) provides comprehensive services inside and outside of prison walls that empower adults to lead fulfilling and crime-free lives. Based in Longmont, TRI offers a spectrum of support services depending on the needs of the person re-entering society after incarceration. We offer a safe place for members to receive case management and help with basic needs. TRI is licensed with Medicaid to provide outpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment services. We utilize an evidenced based, gender-specific curriculum created by leading expert in prison rehabilitative treatment. By addressing our members' underlying trauma immediately upon release, they are better set-up to stabilize in their communities over time.

How will funds be used?: Your generous contribution will be used to provide therapeutic services to aid justice-involved individuals to live...

... fulfilling, law-abiding lives. Thereby, strengthening the community at large by decreasing criminal offense and re-offense.

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There With Care

Requested: \$5,000

Mission: There With Care's purpose is to bring community and care to families with children facing a medical or mental health crisis. Our services reduce social determinants of health through our basic needs program. Our work with our hospital partners serves families who face systemic, cultural, and/or financial barriers in accessing adequate health care and social services, including transportation assistance, food and housing security, and basic needs acquisition. We provide a safety net of services to reduce isolation and provide social support. Our in-home or hospital delivery system gives families the gift of togetherness, allowing more time to focus on their kids.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to be used for our basic needs program to help vulnerable families with a child actively in the hospital suffering a medical ore mental health crisis.

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VIA MOBILITY SERVICE

Requested: \$15,000

Mission: Via Mobility Services is a private, nonprofit organization that provides Boulder County residents with accessible transportation and mobility options to help them live self-sufficient and independent lives. Via Mobility Services provides accessible transportation for older adults, people with disabilities, and people living with mobility...

...limitations, creating connections with community resources. We offer a wide range of educational resources to help our community members access urgently needed transportation services.

Headquartered in Boulder, Via Mobility Services provides affordable, accessible, essential transportation services in eight Colorado counties: Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Denver, Gilpin, Jefferson, Larimer, and Weld.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to maintain and expand our accessible transportation services, and to electrify our fleet to achieve net-zero emissions to support our sustainability efforts.

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Windhorse Guild DBA Mindful Works

Requested: \$2,000

Mission: Mindful Works is an innovative, unique social enterprise which provides job-driven training and real employment opportunities for those in recovery from serious mental illness. Apprentices (trainees) are taught the responsibilities of holding a job: getting to work on time, appropriate dress, endurance, attention to detail and how to work in a social setting. Working with staff, interns and volunteers builds self-confidence, a sense of community and belonging for apprentices. Since we began in 2014, we have concentrated on making high quality, handcrafted soft goods (mindful-works.org), we are expanding our operation to include baked goods for both humans and dogs. This will provide us with the opportunity to train even more apprentices.

How will funds be used?: As we move into making baked goods, we seek support for a standup mixer. We have access to a commercial kitchen, but it doesn't have a standup mixer needed to make large quantities of dough. Funding would allow us to move forward with this venture.

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YWCA Boulder County

Requested: \$1,500

Mission: YWCA Boulder County's mission is to eliminate racism and empower women. We work for racial justice, economic advancement, and health and safety for women and girls. YWCA's Persimmon Early Learning provides access to affordable, quality childcare. The innovative PEL model retains our extraordinary staff by offering good salaries and benefits that preserve their quality of life, providing stability for children and families in the program. Other YWCA initiatives include Reading to End Racism in elementary schools, STEM E 3 in middle schools, and Latina Achievement Support in high schools. YWCA also elevates the voices of women and girls by advocating for policies and leading community action to protect their fundamental rights.

How will funds be used?: We seek support to provide childcare tuition assistance for low income women and families with children in Persimmon Early Learning.

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Ascend Scholarship Program

Mission: Ascend St. Vrain is a scholarship for St. Vrain Valley High School or BOCE seniors OR current college / trade students who graduated from a SVVSD high school or BOCES. Students must plan to attend or currently attend college or trade school in Colorado. Students must demonstrate unmet financial need if awarded as provided by their planned or attending an institution. Ascend St. Vrain helps alleviate the debt that many students incur to attend post-secondary schools.

Ben's Club

Mission: Ben's Club is a coalition of business leaders who obtain donations for the Longmont Police Department to distribute to needy persons they encounter

Early Childhood Alliance

Mission: The Early Childhood Alliance is dedicated to ensuring: • Every child is nurtured from birth to be school-ready when they enter kindergarten. • A seamless birth to 5 system that reaches 100% of children, leveraging existing resources and particularly focused on those ages birth to three. • Parents and childcare and early learning providers, in every setting, have the skills and resources needed. • Childcare and early childhood education are both valued and funded as a public good.

HOPE Direct

Mission: An effort in partnership with HOPE to improve the lives of individuals in Longmont by providing individuals direct assistance with living expenses (car repairs, health care costs, supplies, etc). HOPE case managers will identify candidates for this test program to elevate people's lives

Safe Storage and Firearm Buy Back

Mission: Support gun safety efforts that aim to reduce harm caused by accidents and the impulsive use of firearms. First Congregational United Church of Christ in Longmont (UCC Longmont) will be giving away pin code safes during special distribution events in Longmont. The firearm buyback events encourages residents to join together in a public safety effort to reduce gun violence by turning in, disabling, and transforming firearms into garden tools.

St. Vrain Independent Living Fund

Mission: Provide financial assistance to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) living independently or seeking to live independently. This award's intention is to fund items/services that are not funded by traditional government aid programs and that help people with IDD live dignified and independent lives.

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