AN ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN BENEFITING FLATHEAD VALLEY NONPROFITS
DESIGNED TO MULTIPLY YOUR GIFT!

GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE

Benefiting 61 LOCAL CHARITIES

whitefishcommunityfoundation.org
MULTIPLY! SIMPLIFY!

WHAT IS THE GREAT FISH COMMUNITY CHALLENGE?

The Great Fish Community Challenge is a 6-week long charitable giving event designed to maximize the generosity of our community. Donate to up to 61 local nonprofits with one transaction and your giving will be multiplied by a percentage match.

WHY GIVE THROUGH THE GREAT FISH COMMUNITY CHALLENGE?

MULTIPLY! At the end of the Challenge, a percentage match will be applied to the first $20,000 raised by each nonprofit. This means your giving goes FURTHER.

SIMPLIFY! One transaction, limitless impact. Explore 61 charities in the Flathead Valley that need your support and give to many diverse needs with ONE payment.

HOW DOES THE MATCH WORK?

The Match Fund begins at $200,000 funded by the Whitefish Community Foundation’s Circle of Giving. Throughout the campaign the Match will continue to grow as donors make a gift straight to the Great Fish Match Fund. When you give to the Match, you are giving to all 61 participating nonprofits. The matching grant awarded to each nonprofit will be a percentage of the first $20,000 raised by the nonprofit, calculated at the conclusion of the Challenge based on totals raised in the Match Fund.

2021 PARTICIPATING NONPROFITS

- **ABBIE SHELTER**
  - Use of Funds: Your gift will help sustain our mission and our critical services: providing court advocacy, mental health support, and shelter for those seeking safety and justice from domestic and sexual violence.

- **BACKPACK ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**
  - Use of Funds: The Backpack Assistance Program provides children with whole fruits and vegetables for the weekend and school breaks. It starts locally and everyone can help. Starvation is happening right in front of our eyes; let’s work together and beat hunger!

- **BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS NW MONTANA**
  - Use of Funds: Funds will directly support rebuilding and implementing the school mentoring programs, which aim to provide the academic, social, and emotional support kids will need when they return to school this fall.

- **BOB MARSHALL WILDERNESS FOUNDATION**
  - Primary Use of Funds: Your gift will connect more people to wilderness through volunteer service projects and internships that open trails, restore habitat, and preserve recreational opportunities in Montana’s most treasured landscape - “The Bob”.
  - Secondary Use of Funds: Additional funds will be allocated to the permanent endowment fund, ensuring protection and care of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex for generations to come.

- **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF GLACIER COUNTRY**
  - Use of Funds: Funds will support high-quality after-school programming for Columbia Falls students in grades K-12 in addition to an expansion of operations and programming into Evergreen for youth in grades K-8.

- **BRAVEHEART CHAPLAIN MINISTRY**
  - Use of Funds: Braveheart Chaplain Ministry provides support services to emergency responders, their families, and citizens in crisis throughout Flathead County.

- **CASA FOR KIDS**
  - Use of Funds: CASA/GAL child advocacy to foster children in Flathead County. This includes monitoring the child’s placement, needs and well-being, as well as making recommendations to the court regarding the child’s best interests.

- **CENTER FOR RESTORATIVE YOUTH JUSTICE**
  - Use of Funds: CR/Y works with Flathead Valley teens, families, justice agencies, and school discipline teams to reduce youth involvement with the legal system, interrupt cycles of harm, repair trust, promote accountability, and foster community connections.

- **CHILD BRIDGE**
  - Primary Use of Funds: Hundreds of children in the greater Whitefish area experience abuse and neglect. There aren’t enough families available to care for them. Child Bridge requests funds to recruit and equip foster/adoptive families who journey alongside these children.
  - Secondary Use of Funds: Additional funds will be allocated to the permanent endowment fund held at Whitefish Community Foundation.

For more information or to donate online visit: whitefishcommunityfoundation.org

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- Animals
- Arts & Culture
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Additional funds raised will establish a permanent endowment fund at Whitefish Community Foundation.

FARM HANDS–NOURISH THE FLATHEAD

Primary Use of Funds: The mission of Farm Hands - Nourish the Flathead is to build a strong community food system that fosters socially just ways of accessing food. We believe that all community members should have access to healthy food regardless of income.
Secondary Use of Funds: Additional funds raised will establish a permanent endowment fund at Whitefish Community Foundation.

FLATHEAD AREA MOUNTAIN BIKERS

Use of Funds: The Flathead Trail Crew will build new multi-use trails and conduct maintenance on neglected trails throughout the Flathead Valley.

FLATHEAD AUDUBON SOCIETY

Use of Funds: Donations will bring science-based conservation education to local children and adults, free training programs and materials for teachers, field trips, and a new video series. Funds raised will also support the new 7th grade Life Science Bird Education Sequence.

FLATHEAD COUNTY SHERIFF’S POSSE

Use of Funds: Funds will enable Flathead County Sheriff’s Posse to support local law enforcement organizations by responding to emergency calls, providing a presence at public events, and hosting programs at the Posse building.

FLATHEAD FOOD BANK

Use of Funds: Funds raised will support the Kalispell pantry as well as the mobile Chuckwagon pantry that delivers food to rural communities in the Flathead Valley, and the Backpack Program, which provides meals and snacks to over 600 children in 28 schools every week throughout the school year.

FLATHEAD LAND TRUST

Use of Funds: Funding will protect the Flathead Valley’s vital bird and wildlife habitat, save scenic open spaces and wild places, and secure opportunities for public access through community-based conservation.

FLATHEAD RAPIDS YOUTH SOCCER

Use of Funds: The Flathead Rapids are dedicated to providing our local communities with affordable, high-quality soccer programs that focus on player development as well as personal growth. Funds raised will support youth soccer programs.

FLATHEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Use of Funds: Flathead Valley Community College promotes excellence in lifelong learning, focused on student success and community needs.

FLATHEAD WARMING CENTER

Use of Funds: Flathead Warming Center’s mission is to save lives and encourage dignity through low-barrier access to a warm, safe place to sleep for anyone in need throughout the coldest part of the year.

FLATHEAD YOUTH HOME

Use of Funds: Funds raised will be invested in the health, healing, and well-being of our community’s most vulnerable youth as they face life’s big challenges, offering them the opportunity to thrive and grow into their greatness.

FOY’S TO BLACKTAIL TRAILS

Primary Use of Funds: The Mission of Foys to Blacktail Trails is to plan, build, and maintain a sustainable multi-use trail system throughout Herron Park and forest lands connecting to Blacktail Mountain.
Secondary Use of Funds: Funds not needed for trail and trailhead maintenance and growth will be added to the permanent endowment fund to provide for long-term trail system maintenance.

FRIENDS OF THE FLATHEAD AVALANCHE CENTER

Use of Funds: In a region bursting with winter recreation, the Flathead Avalanche Center and FOFAC are helping save lives by serving those who live, work, and play here through avalanche education and daily forecasts.

GATEWAY TO GLACIER TRAIL

Use of Funds: Our mission is to develop and maintain a network of trails within the greater Glacier ecosystem to foster stewardship and connect communities to our open spaces.

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK CONSERVANCY

Use of Funds: Funding will support Glacier National Park’s education programs via staffing, equipment, and supplies to conduct ranger-led field trips, classroom visits, and distance learning programs for grades K-12 at public schools in the Flathead Valley and across the country.

GLACIER NORDIC CLUB

Use of Funds: Funds will support construction of a grooming equipment storage building at the Big Mountain Trailhead to provide secure, year-round, indoor storage for Glacier Nordic Club equipment and a heated workspace for maintenance.

GLACIER SYMPHONY & CHORALE

Use of Funds: Glacier Symphony & Chorale returns to live performances with the start of their 39th season. Funds will support live performances in Whitefish, Kalispell, and Bigfork, and the week-long Festival Amadeus in Whitefish.

HOCKADAY MUSEUM OF ART

Primary Use of Funds: The Hockaday, located in a historic 1904 Carnegie Library, preserves our community’s artistic history through collections and exhibitions. Help restore our home to its original splendor through a building restoration and security improvement project.
Secondary Use of Funds: Additional funds raised will support the mission of the Hockaday Museum of Art, to enrich the cultural life of our community and region, and preserve the artistic legacy of Montana and Glacier National Park.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF NORTHWEST MONTANA

Use of Funds: The Humane Society of Northwest Montana provides a caring and safe environment for dogs and cats until they can be united with a forever home.

IMAGINEIF LIBRARY FOUNDATION

Use of Funds: We believe libraries create vibrant communities. The ImagineIF Library Foundation’s mission is to raise private dollars to enhance patron services of our public ImagineIF Libraries, including programs for children, teens, and adults.

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INTERMOUNTAIN CHILDREN’S SERVICES

Use of Funds: Funds raised will be used to provide children at Providence Home, Intermountain’s residential therapeutic group home in the Flathead Valley, with a therapeutic playground. The playground will be woven into treatment to encourage healthy play, and to provide cognitive benefits to each child’s development.

LIGHTEST ORTH CHRISTIAN HOME & SERVICES

Use of Funds: As a state licensed residential group home for individuals with intellectual disabilities in the Flathead Valley, Lighthouse Christian Home develops life skills, farm skills, socialization, and integration to prevent isolation of this underserved population.

MONTANA CHILDREN’S MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION

Use of Funds: Funds will be used to elevate and transform pediatric healthcare delivery for children and their families, improving health and providing peace of mind.

MONTANA CONSERVATION CORPS

Use of Funds: Montana Conservation Corps inspires young people in the Flathead Valley through hands-on conservation service to be leaders, stewards of the land, and engaged citizens who improve their local communities and nearby public lands.

NORTH VALLEY FOOD BANK

Use of Funds: North Valley Food Bank addresses hunger in the northern Flathead. We provide food assistance to 350 people weekly through our local distribution in Whitefish, our mobile pantries in neighboring communities, and our deliveries to senior citizens.

NORTH VALLEY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

Primary Use of Funds: Funds will be used to give new life to the original patient rooms in the Birth Center with fresh countertops, paint, tile, and sinks. Secondary Use of Funds: Additional funds raised will build the value of North Valley Hospital Foundation’s permanent endowment fund held at Whitefish Community Foundation.

NORTH VALLEY MUSIC SCHOOL

Primary Use of Funds: North Valley Music School enriches local communities through music education, appreciation, and performance by providing musical opportunities for all ages. Secondary Use of Funds: Funding raised beyond program support will be allocated to the North Valley Music School Permanent Endowment Fund and Scholarship Fund held at Whitefish Community Foundation.

NORTH WEST MONTANA VETERANS FOOD PANTRY

Use of Funds: Funds will support social services for veterans and their families, providing resources and referrals. Individualized case management will identify obstacles and long-term solutions, so we may help secure clothing, food, housing, employment opportunities, transportation, or medical equipment.

PROJECT WHITEFISH KIDS

Primary Use of Funds: Funds will be used to upgrade the surface and repaint lines for the entire 400-car parking area at the Smith Fields Youth Sports Complex in order to improve ADA accessibility, ensure athlete safety with crosswalks, and create efficient traffic flow. Secondary Use of Funds: Additional funds will be used to improve and restore smooth playing surfaces on all sports fields at the sports complex to ensure safety and prevent sport-related injuries for the over 1,200 local youth athletes that play at Smith Fields.

RAVENWOOD OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER

Use of Funds: Ravenwood’s mission is to cultivate health, passion for learning, and stewardship of ecological and human communities through nature-based mentoring of youth, families, and adults in the communities we serve.

SHEPHERD’S HAND FREE CLINIC

Primary Use of Funds: Shepherd’s Hand supports and improves the health and wellbeing of those in need while partnering with other community-based organizations to connect the most vulnerable with social services. Funds raised will provide direct program support. Secondary Use of Funds: Additional funds will be directed to our endowment fund, ensuring the long-term vision of our organization.

SPARROW’S NEST OF NW MT

Use of Funds: Funds will be used to provide safe, supportive housing and resources for unaccompanied homeless high school students in the Flathead Valley, enabling them to graduate from high school and become productive members of our community.

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TAMARACK GRIEF RESOURCE CENTER

Use of Funds: Funds raised will help sustain grief support and education programs throughout the Flathead Valley.

THE WAVE

Use of Funds: The WAVE is a non-profit organization dedicated to the health and well-being of the community, providing an exceptional and affordable fitness facility without being a burden to taxpayers.

WHITEFISH COMMUNITY CENTER

Use of Funds: Funds raised will support programs and operations at the Whitefish Community Center, including Meals on Wheels delivery, fitness classes, social dining, and much more! Keeping the community connected at YOUR gathering place.
HOW TO DONATE

SUPPORTING FLATHEAD VALLEY NONPROFITS THROUGH THE GREAT FISH COMMUNITY CHALLENGE IS EASY.

Since 2015 the Challenge has raised over $13 million for Flathead Valley nonprofits.

THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO GIVE:

DONATE ONLINE!
- Visit whitefishcommunityfoundation.org to give via credit card.

USE DONOR FORM!
(see donor form on reverse)
1. Write donor name and contact information completely.
2. Fill in the circle to the left of each organization to select nonprofits.
3. Write the donation amount for each nonprofit in the corresponding right column.
4. Write one check for the grand total to the Whitefish Community Foundation.
5. The Whitefish Community Foundation processes your gift, mails you a tax receipt, and passes along 100% of your contribution to the organizations you chose.*

VISIT A DONATION STATION!
- During the campaign, Whitefish Community Foundation employees will be hosting donation stations throughout the community. Plan to drop off your donor form and payment while you stop by and say hi!

STOCK AND IRA DONATION!
- You can donate with a gift of stock or a distribution from your IRA. Please contact the Whitefish Community Foundation to make this donation, (406) 863-1781.

GIVE TO THE MATCH FUND!
- Support all 61 participating nonprofits with a gift to the Match Fund (listed first on the donor form).

FOR MORE INFORMATION
- On the 61 participating nonprofits and their fundraising goals, visit whitefishcommunityfoundation.org. Browse nonprofit mission statements, make donations, and check out with one easy transaction.

* Gifts are accepted August 5-Sept 17, 2021. The Challenge ends at 5 p.m. on Sept 17.

** Donations made by credit card are subject to a credit card processing fee ranging from 2.9% to 3.5% depending on the card. Donors can elect to cover these fees at checkout. All donations are subject to the Whitefish Community Foundation's variance power (definition at whitefishcommunityfoundation.org/donations/). To ensure your gift is fully tax deductible, you may not receive any goods/services in return for your contribution. Whitefish Community Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Tax ID #81-0533002.

Check and completed donation form (reverse side) should be delivered to:
Whitefish Community Foundation
PO Box 1060
214 West Second Street, Ste 1
Whitefish, Montana 59937

EASY THROUGH www.whitefishcommunityfoundation.org
## MAKING A DONATION

**Phone _________________________ Email _______________________**

**City____________________________**

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- Grand Total: $________
Our mission

Whitefish Community Foundation is dedicated to fostering philanthropy, building endowments, and helping donors and nonprofits benefit our communities.

Our end goal is to improve the quality of life in the Flathead Valley, which includes supporting nonprofits that provide valuable resources to our communities.

The Great Fish Community Challenge is organized by the Whitefish Community Foundation, which covers 100% of the costs with the help of its sponsors. When you give to your participating nonprofit through the Challenge, 100% of your donation is passed on to your designated charities plus a percentage matching grant.

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