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Fostering Philanthropy,
Building Endowments,
and Helping Donors
and Nonprofits
Benefit our Communities.



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Samaritan
House



Land to Hand

2023 CIRCLE OF GIVING MEMBERS



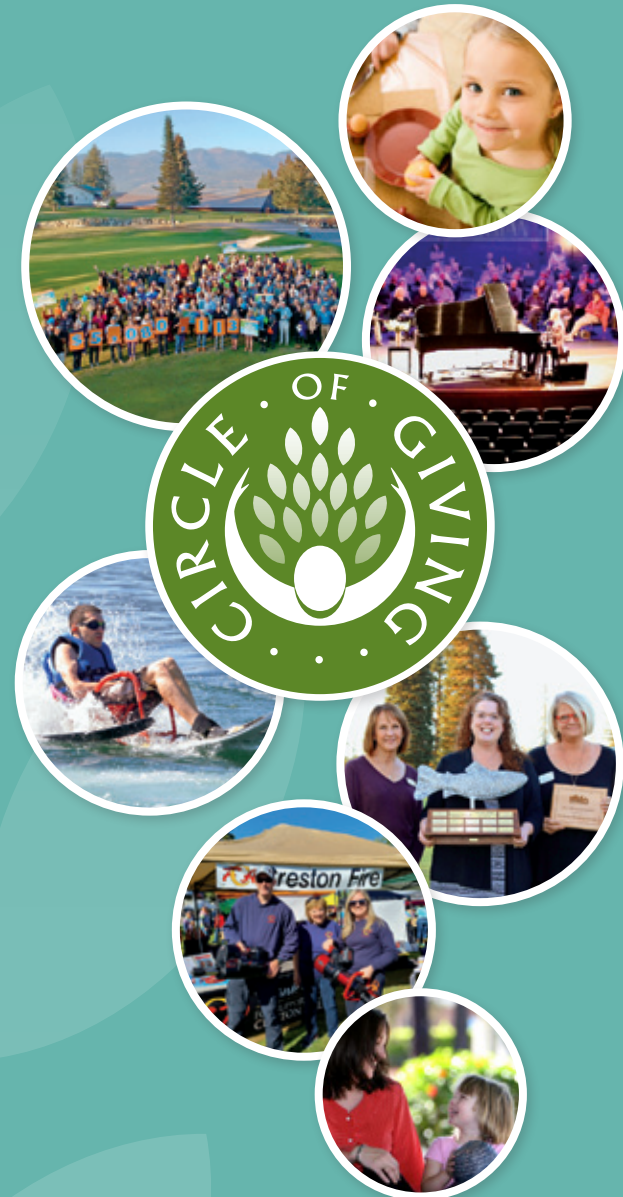
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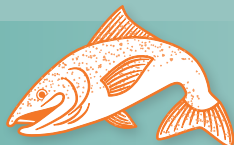
2023



23 YEARS / \$66M

Benefiting Hundreds of Nonprofits

GREAT FISH COMMUNITY CHALLENGE



\$22M

IMPACT IN EIGHT YEARS!

\$4M

MATCHING GRANTS SINCE 2015

2022: 70 participating charities | raised \$5.1M
\$808,405 in matching funds awarded

2021: 61 participating charities | raised \$4.2M
\$665,339 in matching funds awarded

2020: 56 participating charities | raised \$3.2M
\$601,254 in matching funds awarded

2019: 53 participating charities | raised \$2.8M
\$485,139 in matching funds awarded

2018: 50 participating charities | raised \$2.4M
\$469,000 in matching funds awarded

2017: 45 participating charities | raised \$2M
\$423,000 in matching funds awarded

CIRCLE OF GIVING



2022..... raised \$1,590,000

2021..... raised \$1,200,000

2020..... raised \$1,050,000

2019..... raised \$857,000

2018..... raised \$734,000

2017..... raised \$571,000

COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM



\$2.1M

 SINCE INCEPTION IN 2000

2022: 41 GRANTS TOTALING \$172,458
Supporting Charitable Projects/Programs

KIDS FUND— GIVING VOICE TO CHILDREN PROJECT GRANTS AWARDED



\$266,146

 SINCE INCEPTION IN 2020

2022..... \$86,146

MAJOR COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANTS AWARDED

\$725,000

 SINCE INCEPTION IN 2010

2022..... \$65,000

ADVISED GRANT FUND PROGRAMS AWARDED

\$45M

 SINCE INCEPTION IN 2000

2022: \$4.9M

From donor advised, designated, and endowment fund grant programs

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

\$344,200

 AWARDED TO HELP 33 CRITICAL PROGRAMS

2022 \$85,000

WHAT IS THE CIRCLE OF GIVING?

The Circle of Giving is Whitefish Community Foundation's core group of donors. It is comprised of a group of like-minded individuals who support the mission of the Foundation with an annual gift of \$5,000 or more. The average gift has grown to \$10,000, with some donors giving as much as \$100,000. The Circle allows our donors to pool their resources and create the maximum amount of impact. When you give to the Circle, you multiply the impact of your gift by providing critical assistance to hundreds of local nonprofits.

WHY JOIN THE CIRCLE OF GIVING?

With so many worthy causes in your local community, where do you start? Consider joining the **Circle of Giving** at Whitefish Community Foundation. Whitefish Community Foundation is the only organization in our region established to support hundreds of causes from education, conservation, and recreation, to health and human services, arts and culture, and everything in between. We help your gift make impact where it is needed most by performing the important due diligence in our grant making.

WHAT ARE THE CORE PROGRAMS?

- **Community Grant Program** is offered annually to support smaller nonprofit projects and programs and to advance new projects and capital expenses for larger nonprofits. Nonprofits are able to apply once per year for a maximum grant request of \$10,000. A total of \$172,458 was awarded to 41 charities in 2022.
- **Major Community Project Grant Program** awards grants of \$10,000 or more to significant community projects. Since 2010, 28 Major Grants totaling more than \$725,000 have been awarded. In 2022, Major grants were awarded to support affordable housing, pickleball courts, and Land to Hand's building move and renovation.
- **Great Fish Community Challenge:** In addition to funding the Community Foundation's grant programs, the Circle of Giving keeps the Great Fish Community Challenge free for participating nonprofits. Since inception in 2015, the Great Fish Community Challenge has raised over \$22M for local nonprofits. Whitefish Community Foundation organizes the Challenge and covers all the marketing, printing, advertising, and gift processing of the campaign, which costs over \$300,000 annually. The Foundation also raises the Match Fund that inspires our community to give.

- The **Community Emergency Response Fund** continues to be a critical program benefiting unexpected and emergency needs that face nonprofits all across the Flathead. In 2022, the Emergency Fund awarded \$85,000 to reroof the Flathead Warming Center, open the Emergency Shelter at Samaritan House, and renovate a basement at a local daycare after a flood.
- **Kids Fund—Giving Voice to Children** is an expanding program now in its third year, addressing the needs of children experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless. The Kids Fund targets the needs of education, health, and safety with the goal of creating lasting life changes for homeless youth. In 2022, The Kids Fund allocated grants totaling \$86,146 to CASA for Kids, Flathead Youth Home, and Boys and Girls Club of Glacier County to address needs in youth advocacy, case management, and after-school support.

WHO BENEFITS FROM THE CIRCLE?

Your donation to the **Circle of Giving** benefits hundreds of local nonprofits serving the Flathead Valley, through the grant programs of WCF.

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

To learn more about the work of Whitefish Community Foundation and the Circle of Giving please contact us and we will send you an annual report filled with facts and good information about the impact of our work. Or visit our website at whitefishcommunityfoundation.org. We hold an annual donor appreciation event for our Circle donors to give us the opportunity to thank them and tell them how their donations are making an impact locally. It is a wonderful time to meet other individuals who are also passionate about helping our community for the better.

HOW DO I JOIN THE CIRCLE?

Circle of Giving donors contribute an annual gift of \$5,000 or more to WCF. Gifts can be made by:

- Check or Credit Card
- Donor Advised Funds/Private Foundations
- Gifts of Appreciated Stock
- Distributions from your IRA if you are 70½

For more information on how to join this extraordinary group contact:

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