



CELEBRATION

DAY
May 20, 2021

President's Message...

Our mission is to actively participate in our local and worldwide community through the grants we make each year. We emphasize our belief in the promise and value of youth and education and our commitment to the humanitarian goals of Rotary. This is made possible by you and your fellow Rotarians who support the Denver Rotary Club Foundation (DRCF) through your donations and also by supporting our Club fundraisers. During this year the COVID-19 virus continued to challenge everyone. We Rotarians stepped up to meet the challenges. I am pleased to report that the DRCF had another successful year.

In spite of a spring freeze that devastated the peach crop, Peach Chairs Bryan Guice and Kevin Shelledy found a grower in Paonia, CO and saved the peach sale. Our first spring fundraiser, The April Fools unTalent show was a huge success thanks to our un-organizers Fundraising VP Jill Santuccio, President Debbie Beasley and ED Lauren Mast.

The Grants Committee, chaired by Past DRCF President Jack Green, had a very successful and innovative granting cycle. **DRCF granted a total of \$149,150 and we approved four new grantees. Finally our investment portfolio reached \$4 million in value for the first time since 2007.**

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your Foundation President during the past year. I have also been fortunate to have the support of our board of Trustees and Lauren Mast, COO of DRCF. Thank you Club 31 members and friends who have supported DRCF to make this a rewarding and productive year.

MEMBERSHIP

Voting membership in DRCF is open to active Club Rotarians who have made a contribution of at least \$1,000 or made a commitment to donate at least \$100 per year to reach \$1,000, with cumulative Fellow recognition giving levels thereafter. The Legacy Society is open to everyone who makes a planned gift to DRCF.

GOVERNANCE

DRCF is governed by a 16-member Board of Trustees. All Trustees, serving staggered terms up to six years, are members of the Rotary Club of Denver. Trustees are nominated by a Nominating Committee consisting of two sitting Trustees, two Club Board of Directors, one at-large Club member appointed the Club President, and one at-large member appointed by the DRCF President. The Board of Trustees currently meets every other month and the Executive Committee of officers meets on the off months.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The corpus of the Foundation is currently over \$4 million. Sources of revenue include individual contributions, memorial donations, various fundraisers, bequests and investment income. Annual major fundraisers over the years have included the Artist of America Sale and Exhibition, the Branch Rickey Award Dinner, last year's 50th Anniversary and our unTalent Show. The corpus is managed by TIAA and is overseen by the Finance Committee of DRCF.

2020-2021 Board of Trustees

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ED/COO

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Denver Rotary Club Foundation is to participate actively in the diverse life of our community through the grants it makes every year. The Foundation's grants emphasize our belief in the promise and value of youth and education, affirming our commitment to the humanitarian goals of Rotary.

A primary function of DRCF is to award grants every year. The Grants Committee is comprised of nine members who serve staggered three-year terms. There are three members of the DRCF Board of Trustees, three members of the Rotary Club of Denver Board of Directors and three at-large members of the Club. **Our thanks to this year's Grants Committee: Trustees Jack Green (Chair), Bill Imig and Mike MacPhail; Directors Melissa Bowen, Jim Johnston and Louise Westfall; At-Large Members Stephanie Foote, Jay Kamlet and Chuck Turner.**

Each year, the amount of money available for grants is determined by a preset, complex formula intended to both fund current Club initiatives and build a legacy for future Club projects. The total grant is reliant on member contributions, fundraising activities (like the peach sale, vehicle donations and annual fundraiser) and earnings from Foundation assets.

DRCF makes grants to committees of the Rotary Club of Denver and select nonprofit organizations with substantial hands-on involvement by Rotarians. Formal written grant applications are accepted early in the calendar year, reviewed by the Grants Committee with recommended grant amounts approved by the DRCF Board of Trustees in early April.

Since its inception in 1969, DRCF has granted over \$8 million into our local and international Communities!

In addition to the annual grants DRCF made to the Grantees, DRCF funded a Disaster Relief Fund in the amount of \$5,000; \$2,500 went to COVID-19 Relief and \$2,500 went to the District for Colorado Wildfire Relief. The Denver Century Ride/Woohoomanity Bike Challenge was cancelled due to COVID but the District Clubs stepped up to have our own Rotary Woohoo challenge. We were the second highest fundraising Club in the District and raised a total \$4,562. DRCF sent 1/3 of the funds in the amount of \$1,519 to Polio Plus. Thanks to Jim Goddard, Brian Sweet, Colleen Cozad and her husband, Brad, for joining the Club 31 Woohoo team along with team captain Carter Sales. Thanks also to the donors who supported the Club 31 Team!

GRANTS FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR

****New grantees of the Denver Rotary Club Foundation**

DENVER KIDS, INC.

Helps support the lives of over 1,100 students in nearly 145 Denver Public Schools who face the personal challenges of higher risk environments by providing educational counseling and social/emotional support, enabling them to finish high school and pursue a post-secondary education so that they might reach their full potential.

\$ 45,200

ROTARY WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Provides funds for a multitude of Rotarian recommended/driven humanitarian projects in countries around the world through global, district and direct grants, leveraging funding sources to the maximum potential.

\$ 43,200

ROTARY HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP & ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS/COLLEGE COUNSELING

Provides 16 economically disadvantaged, high-achieving high school juniors/seniors with financial assistance and Rotarian mentorship during the school year, in addition to providing college counseling services for these students, most of whom are first generation college attendees and, in many cases, first generation high school graduates.

\$ 28,000

****COLORADO CETER FOR CIVIC LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT**

This new grantee provides access to high quality civic learning, education and engagement to Colorado teachers and students through programs like their constitutional law program, We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution (WTP).

\$ 7,500

SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS OF COLORADO

Longstanding Rotary sponsorship of Colorado's premier showcase of award-winning middle and high school student art with over 6,000 pieces of juried art from approximately 2,200 students in the program and displayed at the Denver Art Museum.

\$ 7,500

****EARTHLINKS**

This new grantee creates Earth-centered programming for people experiencing homelessness and economic poverty. Participants are given a safe, peaceful space to foster empowerment, resilience and collectivity while also sustaining the planet.

\$ 6,000

COMMUNITY RESOURCES, INC.

Matches gifted at-risk DPS students in grades 5-8 with accomplished community/Rotarian volunteers for a short-term Academic Career Mentoring program.

\$ 5,000

****ST. FRANCIS CENTER**

This new grantee is a refuge for men and women who are homeless in the metro Denver area, providing shelter along with services that enable people to meet their basic needs for daily survival and to transition out of homelessness.

\$ 3,750

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

An innovative program which enables Rotarian members and DCIS Interact Club students to team teach JA programs at a DPS Elementary School.

\$ 3,000

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD (RYLA) - 2021 event went virtual (no-cost) due to COVID-19

Allows high school and middle school students to participate in a life-changing Rotary leadership training program where leadership skills and principles are learned, developed and enhanced in an atmosphere of trust and respect.

\$ 0

TOTAL GRANTS FOR 2021-2022

\$ 149,150

In addition to next fiscal year's grants, the committee also awarded our New Project Grant to a non-profit organization, with funds reserved for special grants to be allocated in the 2020-21 Rotary fiscal year.

****EDUCATION THROUGH MUSIC**

This new grantee partners with under resourced schools to provide music as a core subject for all children, and utilizes music education as a catalyst to improve academic achievement, motivation for school and self-confidence.

\$ 7,000

FELLOWS

MAJOR DONOR

*\$25,000+ and/or
\$100,000 bequest*
Debbie DeMuth
Mark Donovan
Chuck & Marty Everill
Bill Imig
Melly Kinnard
John Klug
Don Lewis
Jerry Middel
R.J. Ross
Pete Wall
Jim Warner
Marlene Wilkins
Jim Wilkins

DIAMOND FELLOWS

\$10,000—\$24,999

Harry Ellison
Fred Grover
Rich Harris
Bill Houston
Jim Johnston
John Lucken
Jim Mack
Jim Marlow
Charlie Miller
Cyrus Rajabi
Tom Woodruff

GOLD FELLOWS

\$5,000 - \$9,999

Pam Adams ★
Sandy Adams
Sue Anschutz-Rodgers
Nancy Austin
Todd Bacon
Debbie Beasley ★
El Berger
Larry Bohning
Rick Bowman
Sid Brooks
Young Cho
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Don Kany
Bob Kapelke
Howard Kast
Dennis Kuper
Frank Lawrence

Bob Lowdermilk
Dick Metcalfe
Ved Nanda
Greg Osborn
Seth Patterson
Mary Penny
Elizabeth Ritter-Seawalt ★
Tom Rogers
Francisco Sabichi
Carter Sales ★
Ed Small
Rich Spong ★
Peter Tedstrom
Roland Thornton
Chuck Turner
Jim White
Jim Wiltshire
Rike Wooten
Earl Wright

SILVER FELLOWS

\$2,500 - \$4,999

Mitch Benedict
Karl Berg
David Dickmann
Harriet Downer
J.D. Dreyer
Lee Everding
Julie Freshman
Alan Friedberg
Blair Gifford
Jack Green
Bryan Guice
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Darlene Mast
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Doug McLemore
Jim Nelson
Sandy Purcell
Marilyn Renninger
Arthur Roy
Virgil Scott
Kristi Shaffer
Harley Shaver
Larry Shermer
Carolyn Smith
John Stewart
Brian Sweet ★
Chuck Thompson
André van Hall
Bill West
John Willson

FELLOWS

\$1,000 - \$2,499

Paul Andrews
Lucius Ashby
Jack Barker
Dave Benson
Roy Berkeley
Stephen Brownson
Rob Clinton
Colleen Cozad
Tom Craine
Dave Dennis
Michael Edwards
John Finegan
Ted Friedman
Nancy Gooding
Doug Jackson
Paul Jones
Don Kane
Thomas Longino ★
Dan Lutz
Mario Mapelli
Jim McFall
Stew Mosko
Felicia Muftic
Chris Peters
Jill Santuccio
Gary Schrenk ★
Mike Shaw
Kevin Shelledy
Fred Taylor
Steve Tucker
Chad Tyler
Bruce Wagner
Wellington Webb
Mac West
Eric White
Martin Wohnlich



LEGACY SOCIETY

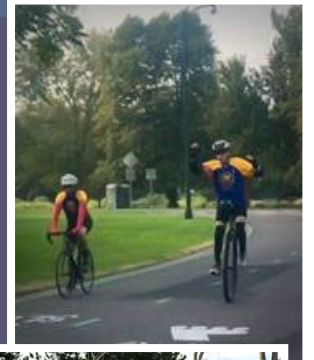
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& Jon Hardesty
Harriet S. Downer
John Finegan
Julie Freshman
Jack & Anne Green
William G. Imig
Jerry & Joyce Middel
Chris & Katie Peters
Carter & Barbara Sales
Rich Spong
John Stewart
Charles C. Turner

Charter Members

Sandy Adams
Lucius & Victoria Ashby
Todd & Nancy Bacon
Alice & David Bullwinkle
Mark Donovan
Chuck & Marty Everill
Sue Fox (d)
Jim Goddard
Bill & Jane Houston
Don & Susan Kany
John Klug & Bernice Pasut
Don & Brenda Lewis
Jim Mack
Steve & Darlene Mast
Charlie Miller
Giles Poulson
Tom & Mary Rogers
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Virgil & Diane Scott
Peter Tedstrom
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Jim & Beverly Warner
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Earl Wright
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Honored at the May 20, 2021 DRCF Celebration Day!

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