



Tahoe Donner Giving Fund

Board of Directors Meeting

December 18, 2020

Information: The Giving Fund presents details on the grants to non-profits approved by the Board at the November 20, 2020 meeting.

Process

The Giving Fund (GF) participates in the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation (TTCF) open competitive grant making process. This process involves 1) reading and evaluating grant applications, 2) participating on the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation's grants decision making committee alongside representatives from TTCF, the Nature Fund, the Martis Fund, and Queen of Hearts Women's Fund, 3) bringing the GF grant award dollars to the Tahoe Donner Board of Directors for approval; 4) TTCF's Board of Directors provides final approval on all grants and associated dollar amounts; 5) the individual grants are made public.

2020 Grant Making

Cathy Pellegrini and Suzanne Sullivan read, evaluated, and discussed the merits of all 50 applications for grants. The TTCF committee on grants met on November 6 and 10 to further discuss and make funding decisions. The Giving Fund's 10 choices were agreed upon by all present.

At the November 20, 2020 Board meeting, the Board approved the Giving fund committee's requested distribution of \$45,250 to cover the 10 awards. In respect for the process and the confidentiality of the awards until final approvals by all the Boards involved, we could not publicize the awards at that time.

At this time, it is our pleasure to do so. Please see the attached chart showing the amount, name of the non-profit and a brief summary of the project supported. Also attached is a recap of the grants awarded by the Giving Fund, 2015-2020.

We thank the Board for your moral support as well as the financial contributions by individual Board members past and present. We thank the Tahoe Donner property owners who donate to the Giving Fund as a way to give back to the community in which we live, work, and play. And, we remind everyone of the opportunity to show Tahoe Donner Cares by giving now during our Annual Year-End Appeal.

**Tahoe Donner Giving Fund
Grant Awards**

2020

5,000 Aim High for High School	Partial funding (1/2) to run a five-week educational and enrichment program, either in-person or virtually, blending math, science and humanities coursework, social-emotional development, college and career awareness along with health and wellness issues, and environmental education for low income middle school students.
5,000 Arts for the Schools	Partial funding (1/2) to provide performing arts (music, visual arts, and career training) as well as 14-week course to elementary students, either in-person or online. Provides art supplies delivered to students' homes (for online version) as well as a virtual Art Show at the end of the academic term. Meets key California career and arts content standards.
2,500 Boys and Girls Club	Partial funding (1/4) for now virtual support for youth and their families plus distribution of take-home meals and packets of supplies for STEM activities. Kings Beach and Truckee Elementary sites are open all day for students who do not have distance learning technology tools at home.
5,000 Emergency Warming Center	Partial funding to provide our under-sheltered neighbors a safe, warm, dry place to stay on the most severe weather nights as well as a daytime navigation center to help create longer-term support systems as they move toward greater stability.
5,000 Give Back Tahoe	Funding for Challenge Grants.
5,000 Sierra Senior Services	Partial funding (1/4) for the Meals on Wheels program. Sierra Senior Services now serves approximately 950 meals each week to those who are unable to shop for or prepare their own meal and/or any senior over age 60 who is sheltering in place. By providing this service to isolated seniors they receive nutrition, human interaction, and a wellness check.
3,550 Tahoe-Pyramid Trail	Partial funding (1/2) for the hardening of 300 feet of loose trail tread (gravel) near Farah in order that less-expert cyclists can ride this section of the trail safely. Because this work involves heavy equipment, it is not a job for volunteers.
5,200 Tahoe Food Hub	Full funding to cover Giving Boxes of fresh, seasonal, sustainably grown food for community members facing food insecurity, especially those out of work because of Covid. To date the Food Hub has provided 60-100 boxes to locals in this situation.
5,000 Truckee Donner Land Trust	Partial funding connected to the new 26-acre downtown riverfront park (Truckee Springs). This project opens riverfront land heretofore landlocked as well as allowing for a vital link to the Legacy Trail.
4,000 Humane Society of Truckee-1	Partial funding (4/5) for the Pet Pantry (free pet food) program in recognition of the many health benefits of owning a pet, especially in these stressful times.

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TAHOE DONNER GIVING FUND – GRANT AWARDS

Date	Amount	Recipient
2015	\$11,090.00	Total \$2,218.00 Average
11/15/2015	\$2,500.00	Boys & Girls Club if North Tahoe
11/15/2015	\$3,000.00	SOS Outreach
11-15-2015	\$2,500.00	Tahoe Food Hub
11-15-2015	\$2,000.00	Truckee Community Theatre
11/15/2015	\$1,090.00	Arts for the Schools
2016	\$12,500.00	Total \$2,083.33 Average
11-15-2016	\$1,500.00	North Tahoe Arts
11-15-2016	\$1,500.00	Community Recovery Resources
11-15-2016	\$1,500.00	Sierra Senior Services
11-15-2016	\$1,500.00	Headwaters Science Institute
11-15-2016	\$1,500.00	Biking for a Better World
11-15-2016	\$5,000.00	Sierra Watershed Education Partnership
2017	\$25,500.00	Total \$2,833.33 Average
11-15-2016	\$1,500.00	Arts for the Schools
11/15/2017	\$4,000.00	Aim High for High School
11/15/2017	\$2,500.00	Emergency Warming Center
11/15/2017	\$2,500.00	Choices Transitional Services
11/15/2017	\$2,000.00	North Tahoe Arts
11/15/2017	\$2,500.00	Sierra Senior Services
11/15/2017	\$2,500.00	Sugar Pine Foundation
11/15/2017	\$5,000.00	Truckee Community Theatre
11/15/2017	\$3,000.00	Truckee Trails Foundation
2018	\$40,000.00	Total \$3,636.36 Average
11/15/2018	\$5,000.00	Choices Transitional Services
11/15/2018	\$5,000.00	Family Resource Center of Truckee
11/15/2018	\$5,000.00	Give Back Tahoe (TTCF)
11/15/2018	\$3,000.00	High Fives Foundation
11/15/2018	\$5,000.00	KidsZone
11/15/2018	\$2,000.00	Sierra Watershed Education Partnership
11/15/2018	\$3,000.00	Slow Food Lake Tahoe
11/15/2018	\$2,500.00	Tahoe Institute of Natural Science
11/15/2018	\$1,000.00	Tahoe-Pyramid Trail
11/15/2018	\$3,500.00	Truckee Donner Land Trust
11/15/2018	\$5,000.00	Truckee Donner Railroad Society
2019	\$50,000.00	Total \$5,000.00 Average
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Achieve Tahoe

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Date	Amount	Recipient
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Aim High for High School
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Arts for the Schools
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Choices Person Centered (Transitional) Services
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Emergency Warming Center
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Give Back Tahoe (TTCF)
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Positively Rolling
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Truckee Arts Alliance
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Truckee Donner Land Trust
11-15-2019	\$5,000.00	Truckee River Watershed Council
2020	\$45,250.00	Total \$4,525.00 Average
11-15-2020	\$5,000.00	Arts for the Schools
11-15-2020	\$5,000.00	Aim High for High School
11-15-2020	\$2,500.00	Boys & Girls Club if North Tahoe
11-15-2020	\$5,000.00	Emergency Warming Center
11-15-2020	\$5,000.00	Give Back Tahoe (TTCF)
11-15-2020	\$5,000.00	Sierra Senior Services
11-15-2020	\$3,550.00	Tahoe-Pyramid Trail
11-15-2020	\$5,200.00	Tahoe Food Hub
11-15-2020	\$5,000.00	Truckee Donner Land Trust
11-15-2020	\$4,000.00	Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe
	\$184,340.00	Grand Total \$3,614.51 Overall Average

	Awarded	Running Total	Annual Gain/Loss	Increase from Inception
2014	0			
2015	11,090	11,090		
2016	14,000	25,090	26%	26%
2017	24,000	49,090	71%	116%
2018	40,000	89,090	67%	261%
2019	50,000	139,090	25%	351%
2020	45,250	184,340	-10%	308%