



\$60,000 IN GRANTS SUPPORT LOCAL PROGRAMS

By NAN MEEK, Tahoe Donner Giving Fund Committee Member

Donations to the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund from neighbors like you made possible \$60,000 in grants last year to help local organizations. Check out their stories below for inspiration and motivation to help.

MEETING LOCAL CHALLENGES

Carla Brown, who leads the Grants Subcommittee of the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund Committee, reflects, "The 2023 grant application process was challenging. We received 60 applications from local nonprofits, organizations that provide important services and support for the Truckee-Tahoe community, making it difficult to choose which to fund. This year, our grant subcommittee selected organizations that impact a large number of people and collaborate with other organizations to create greater impact."

Thanks to everyone who donates to the Giving Fund — your support means that these organizations can make a difference in our community.

Humane Society of Truckee Tahoe \$5,000 Grant



The Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe requested a grant to support their Pet Pantry and low-cost spay/neuter programs, which help to keep pets in their homes.

Sierra Community House \$10,000 Grant

Sierra Community House is our area's primary provider of assistance for individuals and families in need. Since March 2020 they have provided \$755K in rental assistance, \$238K in utility assistance, 1.2 million meals and legal support for 820 individuals and families. During COVID, they received significant funding from the state. This funding has now ended, but the increased numbers of people in need are holding firm.

Sierra Senior Services \$5,000 Grant



Sierra Senior Services administers the Meals on Wheels program for the Truckee and Lake Tahoe area for seniors ages 60 or older who are unable to shop for or prepare their own meals. Deliveries are made by volunteers covering the entire Truckee Community, Kings Beach, Tahoe City, the Placer County portion of the West Shore of Lake Tahoe, Incline Village and Crystal Bay. Sierra Senior Services also provides meals to the Homeless Respite Center in Truckee through a contract with AMI Housing.

Slow Food Lake Tahoe \$5,000 Grant

Slow Food Lake Tahoe is best known for its food bank and community gardens located at the Regional Park. They also coordinate compost collection at the Farmer's Market and sponsor many educational programs.

Tahoe Food Hub \$5,000 Grant

The Tahoe Food Hub's mission is to build a food system that supports regenerative farming practices and creates fair market opportunities for family farms by increasing local food access. They support 50 growers and have provided 15K giving boxes since March of 2020. The Giving Box Program provides fresh, locally-grown produce for individuals and families experiencing food insecurity. The Food Hub works closely with TTUSD to provide fresh produce for school lunches.

Tahoe Truckee School of Music \$5,000 Grant



The Tahoe Truckee School of Music's mission is to provide music education to students in the TTUSD service area. To further this goal, they maintain an instrument library for kids who cannot afford one. They partner with local businesses, agencies and chambers to showcase local students, including NTBA, Northstar, Palisades Tahoe, Truckee Chamber, Tahoe Truckee Airport District, Tahoe Donner and more.

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