

Bent County Community Foundation

Contribution Form

Enclosed is my gift of \$ _____

I am interested in the on-going work of the Community Foundation and want to help further programs that enrich the quality of life in Bent County.

Your gift will combine with other in the undesignated fund that addresses the changing needs of Bent County.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

I would like more information about:

- The Community Fund
 - Establishing a designated fund
 - Options for giving/tax benefits
 - Other: _____
- Signature: _____

Our Partners

The Foundation partners with the Southern Colorado Community Foundation, originally founded by Robert H. Rawlings in 1998, to manage the Bent County fund and ensure that it continues to grow. They are located at 121 W. 1st Street in Pueblo, Colorado, 81003. The phone number is: (719) 546-6677.

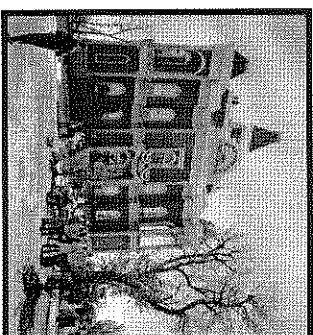


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Empowering
people
to help Bent
County!

Reasons to Give

Contributing to the Bent County community Foundation is a flexible and an imaginative way to give something back to your community and ensure permanence, flexibility, significance, and tax advantages. The Foundation is attuned to the needs of this county and to building a sense of community. It is such a spirit that attracts other organizations into partnership with it and in doing so, the charitable effort becomes more efficient and powerful.

Why Create a Fund?

- To leave a legacy
- To grow your gift
- To reduce taxes
- To fund a variety of organizations
- To be involved
- For recognition or anonymity
- To meet community needs now or in the future

Our Role

The Bent County Community Foundation is a vehicle to build the strength of our community, at home. Our role is to provide a method to keep the wealth and assets of our great community here in Bent County. Your contributions, large or small, stay in Bent County. The investment helps the families living in the area, create a community center, or museum. These are the places where you and your family live, grow, work, and play.

Creating

Your gift is managed as an endowment, a permanent fund in which the principal remains untouched, and only the interest is used for grants if that is your desire. These grants are distributed to qualified projects throughout Bent County aimed at solving community problems or enhancing the quality of life for all Bent County residents. Your gift continues to grow, creating an ongoing legacy for the future. Your gift may be combined with others to meet a greater challenge, establish a new organization, or provide funds for community emergencies.

Ways to Get Involved

You can give cash, securities, or deferred gifts that can:

- Remain undesignated to address Bent County's most pressing needs;
- Establish a permanent tribute in the name of your family, friend, or loved one;
- Support one or more special causes or non-profit organizations that you believe are doing a great job;
- Provide scholarships for area youth.

When to Donate

NOW:

By establishing a fund now, you can support your favorite charities now and in the future, while taking the maximum tax deductions.

LATER:

Donations by bequest allow the donor to meet specific wishes regarding dividing property between loved ones and philanthropic interests, while minimizing estate tax burdens.