

Our 2022 Community *Impact Report*



DEAR FRIENDS OF THE GOLDEN CIVIC FOUNDATION,

This has been an active year for the Golden Civic Foundation and we are excited to share our **2022 Community Impact Report** with you on the following pages!

With 50-plus years of history and connection in Golden, the Golden Civic Foundation is uniquely positioned to help the community thrive via many important community efforts that might not happen otherwise. We are a partner and resource for **local businesses** via loans to encourage successful, locally-owned, character (non-national franchise) businesses, we support **schools and non-profit organizations** via leadership and community grants to enable enhanced social, civic, cultural and education-based services for Golden residents, and, we provide leadership and funding to help manage planned and unexpected **community challenges** and **civic development projects**.

We do this work with the support of private, individual donors, businesses, targeted fundraising, and strategic financial management.

When the Foundation was founded 50 years ago, the needs and priorities of our Golden community were different. Fifty years from now, they will look different still. But as you will see in this Community Impact Report, we strive to make an impact on Golden in critical areas to protect Golden's character and help our community thrive – **and it's all possible because of your support**. We hope to inspire you to give and make a difference. You can be confident the Golden Civic Foundation will still be here generations from now – creating positive change and impact for the betterment of all our residents.

Yours in Golden,

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P.S. As always, we welcome you to reach out to us on how we can enhance our role as your strategic partner in giving and look forward to working closely with you to build on the progress we made in 2022 to achieve even more impact in the years ahead.

2022 Community *Investment*

The Golden Civic Foundation impacts the Golden community via three primary focuses:

Community Impact Grants, Small Business Loans & Civic Development

Community Grants

In 2022, the Golden Civic Foundation invested more than \$260,000 in grants into the Golden community via four main areas: Community Impact Grants, Helping Hands Grants, a BIG Ideas in Golden Grant, and Critical Needs Services Grant funding. These grants supported the following Golden-based non-profit organizations, schools, cultural, and civic/social service organizations:

Bell Middle School: Purchased books for Bell Middle School's library.

BGoldN: Funded the preliminary research and development strategy necessary to design a new, scalable program that targets food insecurity for Golden residents during the summer months.

Buffalo Bill Days: Supported costs associated with the 2022 Buffalo Bills Days.

CASA of Jefferson and Gilpin Counties: Supported CASA's Youth Alliance Program that provides housing and other support for youth emancipating from foster care to help transition to a healthy and self-sufficient adulthood.

Christian Action Guild: Funded food and other supplies for their operations along with an organizational grant for leadership development, communication/marketing planning, fundraising and other professional efforts.

City of Golden - Parks and Rec Dept: Funded a day of free admissions for Golden residents at the Marv Kay Come In and Play Day at the Golden Community Center held on Saturday, October 8, 2022.

Colorado Cowboy Gathering: Supported their School Outreach Program by funding production of a video highlighting cowboy story teller/artists to utilize in outlying areas.

Colorado Fourteeners Initiative: Purchased 13 Garmin InReach Mini devices to save their staff several days driving and hiking over the four-month field season, limit CFI's environmental footprint driving vehicles, and create a safer work environment for their seasonal trail crews.

Colorado Railroad Museum: Awarded a special grant to help with renovation costs to rebuild their outdoor pavilion that was severely damaged by a wind storm in early 2022.

Colorado Mountain Club: Helped support funding of their Youth Education Program (YEP) Summer Internship that provides interns with leadership experience and opportunities to master their outdoor skills.

Continental Divide Trail Coalition: Provided funding support for their strategic planning session held in downtown Golden.

Foothills Art Center: Funded the implementation of a multimedia marketing and communications campaign to rebrand the organization and re-connect the community of Golden with FAC as Golden's cultural community hub.

Friends of Dinosaur Ridge: Helped to fund mural painting on the shelter that is at the trailhead for Triceratops Trail.

GoFarm: Provided funding for a series of farm tours, food workshops, and local food system talks to connect Golden residents with local farmers, build knowledge and understanding about local agriculture, and increase support and value for our local food system.

Golden Bicycle eXperience: Provided 10 scholarships to under resourced children in the Golden area.

Golden Concert Choir: Enabled the choir to enhance its amateur musical performances with professional soloists and instrumentalists.

Golden High School: Funded a special grant to the school's Senior Seminar Program to enable an experiential education trip to Washington, D.C. The Senior Seminar Program gives students the opportunity to generate high-level learning in a collaborative environment.

Golden History Museum: Purchased a new scanner for the Golden History Museum's photo digitization program.

Golden Landmarks Association: Provided funding to add 40 photographic images to their image collection and produce a Territorial Guide.

Golden Police Department: Funded the Golden Police Department's annual National Night Out event held in August at Parfet Park.

Golden View Classical Academy: Supported an infrastructure project that will provide an environmentally sustainable and visually aesthetic solution to minimize the impact of noise and odor from the school's close proximity to the I-70 highway.

Hands of the Carpenter: Provided funding to support program operations to help ensure affordable automotive services for working single mothers in Golden.

Jefferson County Library Foundation: Funded the local Golden Library with mid-way prizes (new books) for local children who participated in the 2022 Library Summer Challenge.

Kyffin Elementary School: Funded an outdoor classroom and garden community space.

Mitchell Elementary School: Funded the purchase and installation of two Mimeo boards for the 4th grade classrooms.



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OF GOLDEN

Neighborhood Rehab Project: Funded the creation of an educational guide for homeowners to instruct how to maintain their homes in an effort to preserve affordable housing in Golden.

Outdoor Lab Foundation: Funded the creation of a community outreach strategy for the Foundation so teachers feel more supported, parents are better informed, and students feel welcomed and prepared for their week at camp.

Red Rocks Community College Foundation: Funded two scholarships for Golden residents to pursue their higher education goals at RRCC.

Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum (RMQM): Funded the servicing/repair of sewing machines used in the RMQM Youth Education and Summer Camp programming as well as the purchase of supplies needed for the Golden History Camp educational projects for youth.

Rotary Club of Golden: Funded a special grant to fund food purchases for Dignity Tuesday, a November 22 event for Golden families at the BGoldN food pantry.

Taylor-Miller American Legion Post 21: Provided a special grant to help with costs to replace the HVAC, hot water heaters and lighting fixtures on their property.

Welchster Elementary School: Purchased texts for Discovery time, replaced toys, items and technology.

Small Business Loan Program

The Golden Civic Foundation is honored to support local, innovative, and community-oriented entrepreneurs and believes that the power of entrepreneurship positively transforms the character of our community. Our Small Business Loan Program is intended help stimulate the economy and encourage locally owned businesses. We work in partnership with local banks to provide low-interest loans to locally owned, character businesses – many of which do not meet the requirements for traditional financing. In 2022, the Golden Civic Foundation supported 9 local businesses with more than \$850,000 in loans.

Civic Development

In 2021, the Golden Civic Foundation worked behind the scenes to help secure the Meyer Hardware property as a new home for the Miners Alley Performing Arts Center. In 2022, their proposal was selected by a Citizen Advisory Committee and our Board of Directors as the recipient of our annual BIG Ideas in Golden Grant (funded by Gala Paddle Raise private donations). Subsequently, the Foundation awarded them with an \$82,000 BIG Ideas in Golden Grant to cover the cost of their future theater seating. Phase one of the Performing Arts Center is projected to be completed in the Summer of 2023.



MINERS ALLEY
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

NEW LOGO FOR THE NEW CENTER TO BE
COMPLETED IN THE SUMMER OF 2023.



PROPOSED RENDERING
OF THE NEW BRONZE
SCULPTURE.

In 2021, the Golden Civic Foundation also partnered with Captain Tom Young and the Golden Fire Department to fundraise for a community art project, titled "Follow Your Heart." This art tribute will honor Golden's long and proud history of volunteer firefighters as well as highlight the diversity of Golden's volunteers by including both male and female firefighters. In 2022, the Foundation served as a non-profit "pass-through" to hold funds for the creation of the art piece to be created by Artist, Austin Weishel. The bronze art piece is estimated to be installed outside Golden Fire Department Station #1 in Summer 2023.



Mission, Values, Vision

Our mission is to invest in the economic and cultural vitality of the Golden Community. Since 1970, the Golden Civic Foundation has guided Civic Development and provided Community Grants and Small Business Loans through help from partnerships, donations, and volunteers. Our charter is clear; To champion the passion and spirit of those who inhabit our neighborhoods, to assist beyond what's expected, and ultimately abide by the "Golden Rule."

Our Core Values

We are...

ACCOMPLISHED but know the work is never done.

NOSTALGIC but don't dwell in the shadows of the past.

WELCOMING and always ready to help you write your story.

VIBRANT and our love of Golden shows in everything we do.

RUGGED and never afraid to roll up our sleeves.

OPTIMISTIC because where we live is special.

We Respect the Past and Our Founders Vision

From seeing a need, to creating a vision, our story was woven together through the selfless work, time and donations of countless people. People, who shared a love of Golden and nurtured a common belief that we are together for the benefit of everybody. That vision echoes through our community to this day and guides us in everything we do.



Golden Bicycle eXperience (GBX) mission is to build stronger kids and stronger community through cycling.

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The Golden Police Department holds an annual National Night Out every August that promotes the partnership between local law enforcement and our community.