

OVERVIEW

About our community foundation

Helping donors do
good work... **forever.**



Taos Community Foundation is a nonprofit, community corporation created by and for the people of Taos and Western Colfax County. We are here to help our donors make a positive impact on their community.

Three special features of community foundations

One: personalized service. We make giving easy, flexible and effective, accepting a wide variety of gifts and providing donors the greatest flexibility. You can contribute cash, stocks, property, and bequests. You may establish an Unrestricted, Field of Interest, Designated or Donor Advised Fund in your name or in the name of a loved one. Your gift will gain maximum tax advantage.

Two: local expertise. Our professional staff has an in-depth understanding of the issues, opportunities and resources that shape our community. They monitor all areas of community need — including human services, education, the environment, healthcare, the arts and economic development. We can help you learn more about local agencies and programs that make a difference in areas you care about most.

Three: community leadership. We invest in the long term and bring people and organizations together, convening diverse voices to address local issues and opportunities. Our business is building community.

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Community foundations provide a simple, powerful, and highly personal approach to giving.

We offer a variety of giving tools to help people achieve their charitable goals. You can give cash, appreciated stocks, real estate, or other assets and receive maximum charitable and tax benefits. For more information and ideas on ways to integrate your financial planning with charitable giving, ask your financial advisor or contact your local community foundation.

Ten reasons

people choose to give through community foundations:

one We are a **local organization** with deep roots in the community

two Our professional program staff has **broad expertise** regarding community issues and needs

three We provide highly **personalized service** tailored to each individual's charitable and financial interests

four Our **Donor Advised Funds** help people invest in the causes they care about most

five We accept a wide **variety of assets**, and can facilitate even the most complex forms of giving

six We partner with **professional advisors** to create highly effective approaches to charitable giving

seven We offer maximum **tax advantage** under state and federal law

eight We **multiply the impact** of gift dollars by pooling them with other gifts and grants

nine We build **endowment funds** that benefit the community forever and help create personal legacies

ten We are a **community leader**, convening agencies and coordinating resources to create positive change

“When a person plants a tree under which she will never sit, then you know that civilization has come to that land.”



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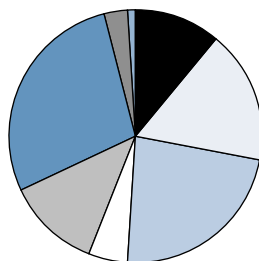
Our community foundation at a glance

Established in 1998 the Taos Community Foundation is one of more than 600 community foundations in the United States today. We serve [your geographic area], offering people a variety of ways to touch our community through philanthropic giving.

In 2011, we granted \$467K, and have granted more than \$5.3M since 1998. Here are just a few of the areas we've recently supported:

- [Healthy Youth and Families]
- [Creativity and Culture]
- [Strengthening Community]
- [Sustainable Environment]

OUR GRANT AWARDS



Arts and Culture	\$91,405
Community Advocacy	\$206,086
Education	\$35,579
Environment	\$13,422
Health	\$1,850
Basic Needs	\$14,728
Youth	\$47,187
F.S.	\$57,602

There's so much more we'd like you to know. Your community foundation provides the flexibility to help people meet a broad range of needs through a variety of vehicles. We welcome the opportunity to work with you and your advisor to fulfill your charitable objectives and community interests.