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## **Pikes Peak United Way Provides Grants to 29 Local Nonprofit Programs**

*Front Range Charities Benefit from Community Investment Fund*

**Colorado Springs, Colo.** — [Pikes Peak United Way](#) will award \$600,000 in grants to 29 nonprofit agencies for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

The grants are part of a two-year cycle and are split over the three areas of United Way's mission: youth success, health, and family stability. The financial support is expected to help an estimated 70,000 people in the Pikes Peak region during the next 12 months.

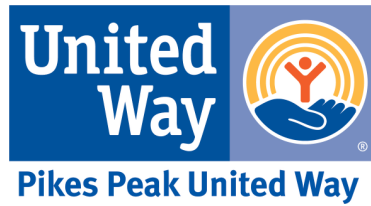
The money comes from the Community Investment Fund, a community-driven initiative that allows donors to specify areas they wish to support. Community Investment volunteers screened the nonprofits in 2023 for fiscal responsibility, effectiveness, and impact alignment with PPUW's mission.

The organizations then participated in a site visit with volunteers who reviewed their applications. After being scored by the volunteers, the United Way Board of Directors finalizes the allocated dollars. This is the second year of the funding from the initial assessments. ~~Each nonprofit received roughly 84 percent of the money they received in the first cycle.~~ The next 2025-2026 Community Investment Fund grant cycle will open in early 2025.

**"We are grateful to these nonprofits that each work so hard to make a difference in people's lives,"** said Elizabeth Quevedo, senior vice president of community impact. **"United Way is supporting their efforts through the Community Investment Fund — and providing much-needed financial help during uncertain economic times when the needs of the community are only growing."**

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**About Pikes Peak United Way:** The mission of Pikes Peak United Way is to enhance youth success, health, and family stability in the Pikes Peak region by leading and lifting the most vulnerable in our community with mentorship, life resources, and real job opportunities. Our signature programs and partner agencies focus on connecting youth and their families to resources at the front end of their life journey to ensure access to fundamental needs of food, shelter, and learning resources. Visit <https://www.ppunitedway.org/> for more information. #LiveUnited



The following nonprofits will receive funding from Pikes Peak United Way:

#### **Youth Success**

- Peak Education
- Assistance League of Colorado Springs
- The Place
- Forge Evolution
- Junior Achievement of Southern Colorado
- CASA of the Pikes Peak Region
- Court Care of the Pikes Peak Region
- Fostering Hope Foundation
- Early Connections
- CPCD
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado
- Partners in Housing
- Lutheran Social Services
- Hope & Home

#### **Family Stability**

- Catholic Charities of Central Colorado
- Crossfire Ministries
- Silver Key Senior Services
- Homeward Pikes Peak
- TESSA
- Greccio Housing
- Community of Caring Foundation
- Mt. Carmel Veterans Service Center
- Tri-Lake Cares

#### **Health**

- The Resource Exchange
- Safe Passage
- Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado
- Dream Centers
- Serenity Recovery Connection
- Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southern Colorado