You showed up. Big time.

It’s what you do when your friends, your neighbors or your coworkers need a hand, a shoulder, an ear - when they need support. And in 2021 it’s what you did for Big Sky.

As the world continues to open up and people seek out wide open spaces, it is understandable that our mountain town is on the top of so many people’s lists. As a result, Big Sky continues to see unprecedented interest - and previously unseen levels of need. You saw this too, and you showed up, donating $861,420 to MCF in 2021.

In turn, your generous support allowed the Foundation to grant $365,186 to 25 different local nonprofits that are making a difference in youth, education, conservation and the unmet needs of the Big Sky community.

Our grant winners are tackling everything from affordable housing to equitable wages, from wildlife crossings and land conservation to refillable water stations and river reservation projects; from healthy teen relationships to emergency housing for domestic violence victims; from sustainability to maintaining our parks and trails. We are proud to back the hard and necessary work of so many organizations in Big Sky.

Your commitment was dazzling in a year that saw a number of firsts for MCF. Thanks to the efforts of so many of our talented Moonlight team members we held our inaugural golf tournament on a beautiful, bluebird day in August. Buoyed by your support, last fall we launched the Headwaters Circle campaign and 53 of you jumped onboard. I am filled with joy each time I see one of the vests at a Lone Peak basketball game, around the lodge, or on the nordic trails. These funds will allow us to make larger impacts in collaboration with our nonprofit partners.

In 2021 you also committed your time and shared your talents in record numbers. The turnout for Trails Day was the most volunteers we have ever seen. You came together and contributed fabulous and unique auction items to our Neighbor-to-Neighbor campaign. A generous, collaborative group purchased naming rights to Moonlight’s newest ski run, Dodgeball, at the Summer Bridge Event - helping us raise a record amount.

As we reflect on 2021 we look forward to deepening our connection with you and continuing to grow our support for the Big Sky. Coretta Scott King once said, “The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.” Thank you for showing your compassion and doing your part to making our community great. The North Side showed up for Big Sky.

With gratitude,

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Your Donations at Work

Total Amount Granted: $1,613,129

2015 $31,881
2016 $123,381
2017 $205,474
2018 $276,688
2019 $374,232
2020 $226,287
2021 $365,186

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT
## 2021 Giving by Program

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### 2022 Save the Dates

- **Moonlight Spring Social**: March 20
- **Moonlight Trails Day**: July 2
- **2nd Annual Golf Tournament and Summer Bridge Event Fundraiser**: July 17

### Making a grant request is easy

MCF has a bi-annual grant cycle. Grant applications are due on May 15 or November 15 of each year. Grant applications are available on our website [MoonlightCommunityFoundation.org](http://MoonlightCommunityFoundation.org).
Big Sky Community Organization

For over 20 years, Big Sky Community Organization has been striving to serve Big Sky by creating exceptional facilities, trails, public spaces, and experiences through community collaborations and recreational support. MCF was proud to award them $30,000 towards their park, trails, and programming operations in 2021 to ensure that Big Sky locals and visitors of all ages and abilities have access to meaningful opportunities to connect and recreate, year-round. From sustaining and expanding local parks, trails and recreational programming, to opening the new community center, BASE, BSCO focuses on supporting people’s social, emotional, physical, and environmental wellbeing. Their grant dollars are being used to manage and maintain 95 acres of parkland, 23 miles of trails, and four established trailheads - in addition to the many programs they offer ranging from school camps to a guided weekly hiking series to a softball league.

Morningstar Learning Center

This past fall, Morningstar Learning Center (MLC) received operational support from MCF to ensure the sustainability of their operation. Morningstar Learning Center is Big Sky’s only full-time, year-round, state-licensed daycare and early learning center and currently operates with a wait list due to licensing and/or staffing limits - demonstrating the growing need for services in our small community. The center serves 65+ children and allows their families to participate in the Big Sky workforce. At least 50 local businesses benefit from the operation which employs 15 teachers and staff. In 2021, Morningstar funders and leadership worked together on a plan to raise MLC staff wages to a living wage in Big Sky. This was a prescient and necessary move, as the conjoined housing and staffing crises have only worsened ever since the pandemic began. This grant will help MLC keep its doors open through the end of FY22 without limiting services based on staffing shortages.
Big Brothers Big Sisters

"Youth in BBBS programs have a stronger sense of connection, improved academic performance and expectations, and better feeling of mental well-being."

- Katie Moyer, Chief Operations Officer

Montana Land Reliance

"Because of you, the Montana Land Reliance was able to steward its nearly 25,000 acres of permanently protected wild land in the Big Sky area, and continue its work on protecting additional important fish and wildlife habitat and open space."

- Jessie Wiese, Southwest Manager

Big Sky Community Housing Trust

"The $35,000 which MCF provided to the Big Sky Community Housing Trust was a big boost to our Rent Local Program. With these funds we were able to create rental housing opportunities for a year for nearly a dozen local workers."

- Laura Seyfang, Executive Director

Big Sky SNO

"The grants MCF so generously provided to SNO in 2021 supported our community outreach implementation in both a tangible manner via a water-filling station at the softball fields, as well as a less tangible manner providing an increased capacity to begin consistent community conversations, education and engagement."

- Lizzie Peyton, Community Engagement Director

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Bozeman Health Foundation

"This project would not be moving forward without the support of MCF. Having the central monitoring system at Big Sky Medical Center has given us the assurance that we will be able to meet the patient safety needs of this swing bed service. We greatly appreciate your support!"

- Taylor Rose, Director of Clinical Services and Operations at Big Sky Medical Center

Center for Large Landscape Conservation

"MCF support has helped us carry out essential tasks to increase understanding of how the Lone Mountain Trail and US-191 road corridors affect wildlife movement—for example, we were able to investigate how much of a barrier culverts at each stream crossing are to fish passage, and to continue to grow our cadre of citizen scientists sharing wildlife sightings as they travel in the area—but even more, it has helped us to realize how much Big Sky wants to manage growth impacts in a manner that maintains Montana’s rich wildlife heritage."

- Deb Davidson, VP for Conservation Operations Medical Center
Thank you to the families that purchased ski run or trail naming rights in 2021:

- Yellowstone Aerial Adventures
- TROVE Adventures
- Sage Lodge
- Outlaw Partners
- Moonlight Basin
- Montana Supply
- Montana Dinner Yurt
- Michaelangelo's
- Lone Mountain Ranch
- Lone Mountain Land Co
- KenCade Designs
- Jill Zeidler Pottery
- Hooey Mountain
- glo Luxury Oils
- 320 Ranch

Event Sponsors - Headline Donors
- Soda Bible
- Big Sky Orthopedics & Spine
- Blackband
- Bluesign
- BugsAway
- Corona Premier
- Official Beer of Powder
- Crepes
- Eye in the Sky Photography, Inc.
- Facebook
- Honeycomb Oils
- 21 Silver Bowls
- K9Cade Designs
- Lone Mountain Ranch
- Lone Mountain Ranch
- Longs Peak Ranch
- Michaelangelics
- Montana Brew
- Montana Expressions
- Montana Supply
- Montana Timber
- Nature Trust
- Natural Elements
- Odell & Brian Haney
- Sage Lodge
- Samaritan's Wildfire Center
- Shelly-Bermont Fireworks
- Skiing to the North Star
- Girdwood Adventures
- TROVE
- Yellowstone Aerial Adventures

Thank you to the 167 families who donated in 2021.

$861,420

$500 – $999
- Jaylaan Ahmad-Llewellyn
- Paul & Kari Rydell
- Mark & Lori Rosolowky
- Callie & Dave Pecunies
- Matthew & Rachel Kelley
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$1,000 – $2,499
- Martin & Lori Weinstein
- Billy & Coco Cordova
- Karen & Antoine Fong
- Jane & Joe Sorensen
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$2,500 – $4,999
- Michael Lagerquist & Kim
- Jared & Holly Hauskins
- Kent & Kate Hansen
- Craig & Kelly Smith
- Lee & Ruth Ann Seward
- Paul Farrell & John Stowe
- Kevin Gallagher
- Ian, Karen, & Maggie Davis
- Alisa Scott
- Nicholas & Jill Page
- Ed & Robin Orazem
- Matt & Heather Morris
- Randy & Lydia Bartoszek
- Sonja Baertsch
- Andrew & Kitsy Babb
- Lone Mountain Land Co
- Miller-Roodell Architects
- Opportunity Bank
- Reed Smith & Associates
- Security Title Company
- SAV Digital Environments
- Roxy’s Market
- Reid Smith Architects
- West End Partners
- The PRG Group
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Vision
Bridging Moonlight Community to Causes that Matter

Mission
Supporting initiatives for youth, education and conservation, and under-served needs benefitting Big Sky