



DENVER
CHILDREN'S
FOUNDATION

A group of six diverse children lying on their backs on a grassy field, smiling and looking up. They are arranged in a circle. The image is overlaid with a large, light blue circular graphic that frames the children. A smaller orange circle is positioned near the center of the large circle, overlapping the children's faces.

2021 Annual Review



“WE KNOW WHAT WE ARE, **BUT NOT WHAT WE MAY BE.**”

—WM SHAKESPEARE

Building Leaders | Benefiting Children

Denver Children's Foundation leaders set the tone for a formidable future.

2021



Despite all the challenges presented to our organization in 2021, our members exceeded expectations and produced excellent results for underserved youth in our community.

We had our biggest Christmas for Kids fundraiser to date. We navigated mandates and put procedures in place that allowed us to resume our two biggest events, The Denver Polo Classic and The Denver Barn Party, both of which raised significant funds.

Most dear to my heart and with the help of some very special supporters, we've rapidly grown our Legacy Grants Program.

2021 wasn't easy, but it was a success story for the young men of our organization and the young children we support. Thank you to our members, our supporters, and the community.

David Shirazi

Past-President, 2020-2021

2022



We are back in full force in 2022 – with a revitalized brand and energy! The community needs our fundraising efforts more now than ever before.

Our new name – **The Denver Children's Foundation** – elevates our image and reach. Our members and organization are focused deeply on higher-than-ever fundraising goals and extending our impact for the communities we serve. While we have not been together as much as we would have liked, we have strengthened our partnerships with our major sponsors over the past year and built new relationships.

Now, we are poised to benefit and enrich the lives of more disadvantaged youth than ever before. I thank you in advance for your continued support of our mission.

Adam Massaro

President, 2021-2022

BEYOND



What's "old" is "new" again! In 2021 as we returned to full speed ahead with some new twists on old classics.

The Polo Classic flexed tradition with comedy, weekend bands, and a new saddle tent. The Barn Party brushed off the dust at Sculpture Park, our Mustang Raffle burned rubber, and Christmas for Kids soared with a significant increase. We introduced a rating formula for Charity Grant Review. The Legacy Grants Program scaled new heights. We welcomed two new member classes. And the newest twist is our name/brand, as our members elected to elevate our best-in-class work as The Denver Children's Foundation.

Backed by unwavering community support, we are steadfast in our mission and have set loftier goals for 2022. Join us as we look for new ways to transform the lives of underserved children.

Adam Cohen

Executive Director

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

A clear, powerful name and fresh, new branding
ELEVATE THE MISSION
our members, sponsors, donors, charities, and community have recognized and supported for more than 34 years.



The History

Since 1986, our members have raised more than \$14M to transform the lives of at-risk and disadvantaged children in Colorado as part of a national chartered organization.

The Decision

In early 2022, our members voted unanimously to continue our best-in-class philanthropic leadership and charitable funding mission as an independent foundation.

The Bottom Line

Our name and brand identity change, but our commitment to our premier events, best-in-class charity evaluation, elite member development, and strong support for youth remain the same.

HOW CAN YOU
CREATE A LEGACY?

Guide Your Donation Through a Legacy Grant



INVEST IN YOUR INTERESTS

You choose the children's needs your grant fulfills.



INVEST IN BEST-IN-CLASS CHARITIES

Our members evaluate and select the best charities.



INVEST IN LEADERSHIP BUILDING

Your contribution empowers our members to develop their skills as philanthropic leaders.

\$10K minimum investment for 3-year minimum term



Recognition

Place your name – or honor a person or organization – on the grant(s) you sponsor.



Value

Colorado taxpayers receive tax deductions, plus the Child Care Contribution Credit.



Focus

The donor decides what key needs to fund within our Four Giving Pillars

HOW DO THEY STACK UP?

Rating Formula Helps Identify Best of the Best

INTERVIEW/VISIT

Every Foundation member conducts at least one, and sometimes more, visits to evaluate applicant eligibility.

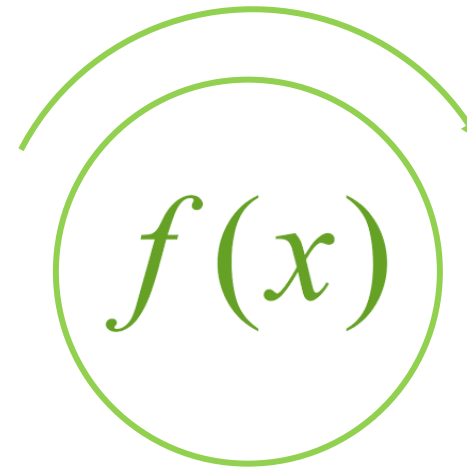
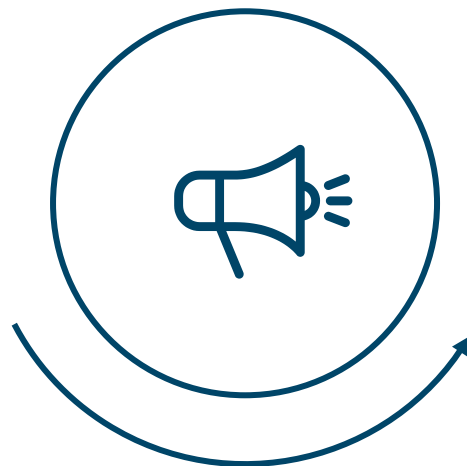
APPROVE

The entire membership reviews the proposed grants, advocates for changes, then votes to finalize the grant funding slate.



APPLY

Non-profits spanning Education, Health & Well Being, Child Advocacy, and Personal Enrichment request grants.



RATE AND EVALUATE

The member-led Grant Review Committee rates each charity and evaluates the portfolio of member recommendations, proposing a grant funding slate.



WHAT'S GOOD IN OUR WORLD?

Making a Difference Where It Matters Most



ILLUMINATE COLORADO

Building brighter childhoods

In 2021, became Colorado's state office for Healthy Families America (HFA). With HFA, children are healthier, experience fewer adverse childhood events and demonstrate long-term improvements in school performance.

KIDS FIRST HEALTH CARE

Keeping our community's most vulnerable and at-risk children healthy, in school, and ready to learn

Served 2,496 children, screened just over 70 percent of patients ages 12-21 years for depression, and provided \$1,397,903 in charitable, uncompensated health and dental care

JEFFCO EATS

Providing food over the weekends to ensure that no child goes hungry

Delivered 9,526 bags of food, donated 76,208 meals, and provided 142,890 pounds of food

WHAT'S GOOD IN OUR WORLD?

Making a Difference Where It Matters Most



JUDI'S HOUSE

Providing grieving children a safe space to come together to find connection and healing

An estimated 5.3 million U.S. children will experience the death of a parent or sibling by age 18; delivers 14,000 hours of service annually through a 10-week program for each child

SAFEHOUSE DENVER

Connecting children who wait in foster care and families who adopt

9,576 Crisis Line Calls answered, 1,071 survivors served, and 4,270nNights of shelter provided

BRECKENRIDGE OUTDOOR ED

Expand the potential of youth with disabilities and special needs through meaningful, educational and inspiring outdoor experiences

3,579 ski program, 4,485 wilderness program, 2,923 intern program days in 2021

WHAT'S GOOD IN OUR WORLD?

Making a Difference Where It Matters Most

Adam's Camp
Adoption Options
Advocates for Children-CASA
Anchor Center for Blind Children
Art from Ashes
Assistance League of Denver
Attention Inc., dba TGTHR (formerly Attention Homes)
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado
Boys & Girls Club of the Pikes Peak Region
Boys & Girls Clubs of Weld County
Breakthrough Kent Denver
Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center
CASA of Adams & Broomfield Counties
CASA of Jefferson and Gilpin Counties
CASA of the Pikes Peak Region, Inc.
Child Advocates – Denver CASA
ChildSafe Colorado
Clinica Tepeyac
Clothes To Kids of Denver
Colorado Center for the Blind
Colorado Children's Chorale
Colorado Technology Community Foundation DBA KidsTek
Colorado UpLift
Colorado Youth for a Change

Denver Children's Advocacy Center
Denver Children's Home
Denver Kids, Inc.
Denver Youth Program dba Metro Denver Partners
Education Through Music-Colorado
Environmental Learning for Kids
Food for Hope
Griffith Centers for Children, Inc
Harvest Mountain Ministries dba Jeffco Eats
HOPE Center, Inc.
Illuminate Colorado
Invest in Kids
Judi's House
Kids First Health Care
Kids In Need of Dentistry
Listen Foundation, Inc.
Maria Droste Counseling Center
Mile High 360
Minds Matter Colorado
National Sports Center for the Disabled
Outdoor Lab Foundation
PlatteForum
Ralston House
Reach Out and Read Colorado

Reading Partners
Rise Against Suicide
Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center
Rocky Mountain Down Syndrome Association
Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network
Safe Families for Children-Denver Chapter
SafeHouse Denver
Save Our Youth, Inc
Scholars Unlimited
Second Wind Fund
Shiloh Home Inc. DBA Shiloh House
Special Olympics Colorado
Sun Valley Youth Center
Tennyson Center for Children
The Buddy Program
The Greenway Foundation
Third Way Center
Thriving Families
Wapiyapi
We Don't Waste
WeeCycle
YESS Institute
Young Americans Center for Financial Education

WHAT'S OUR IMPACT?

Colorado's Children Count on All of Us

\$M available funds

1.1

grants funded

71

\$M grants funded since 1987

14

grant applicants

137

\$M grant requests

2.2



years of service

34

total children served by grantees (000s)

192

'members

105



WHERE DO WE JOIN TOGETHER?

Creating Value With Premier Events

THE DENVER POLO CLASSIC

The 3-day Polo Classic hosts more than 3,500 people with a first-class Black Tie dinner and live auction, Family Day, and Championship polo.



CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS

A record-setting event affords 150 underserved girls and boys the opportunity to shop for gifts for their family members at the holidays.

LEADERS FORE KIDS GOLF CLASSIC

Our annual golf event enjoyed the beauty and player challenge of Colorado Golf Club, one of Colorado's most well-designed and difficult golfing venues.



NAIOP FIGHT NIGHT

Thanks to the members and leaders of NAIOP, the raffle generated a record net gain again, and treated guests to a night of great food, fun, and prize fights.

THE DENVER BARN PARTY

With major country headliners on stage every year, great food and fun, the Barn Party shows again and again why it is Denver's hottest country music event.



MILE HIGH FACEOFF

On the Pepsi Center ice, amateur hockey players faced off in an exhibition matchup then enjoyed dinner, networking, and the Colorado Avalanche.

WHO ARE OUR CHAMPIONS?

Honoring Our Sponsors and Donors



\$75K+

SCHOMP

\$25K - \$75,000

Alliant Insurance
Century Communities
Dawson-Hawaii Polo Life
Mills Family

\$10K - \$24,999

Airshare
Envestnet
Exclusive Resorts
Jack Daniel's
Jordan & Skala Engineers
PNC Bank
LaVaca Meat Company
Lifescape
Monfort Development
Phifer Family
Situs Real Estate
SVR Real Estate
The Hamilton Group
Tito's Handmade Vodka
Tomblin Family Foundation
Worldwide Vintage Autos

\$5K - \$9,999

Alcorn Construction
Alpine Bank
Anheuser Busch
Baceline Group
BluSky Restoration
BOK Financial
BKD
Eide Bailly
BluSky Restoration Contractors
BOK Financial
Buffalo Builders
Charles Farver Family
CIGNA
CLFS Equities
Collegiate Peaks Bank
CRS Insurance
E. Thomas Arrington Family
Eagle Rocks Distributing
Esperance Family Foundation
Feist Family
FirstBank

\$10K-\$15K LEGACY GRANT DONORS

Chris and Joy Dinsdale Family (2019-21)
Jason White / White Out Consulting (2020-22)
Karen and Charles Farver Family (2020-22)
Zach and Roxanne May Family (2019-21)

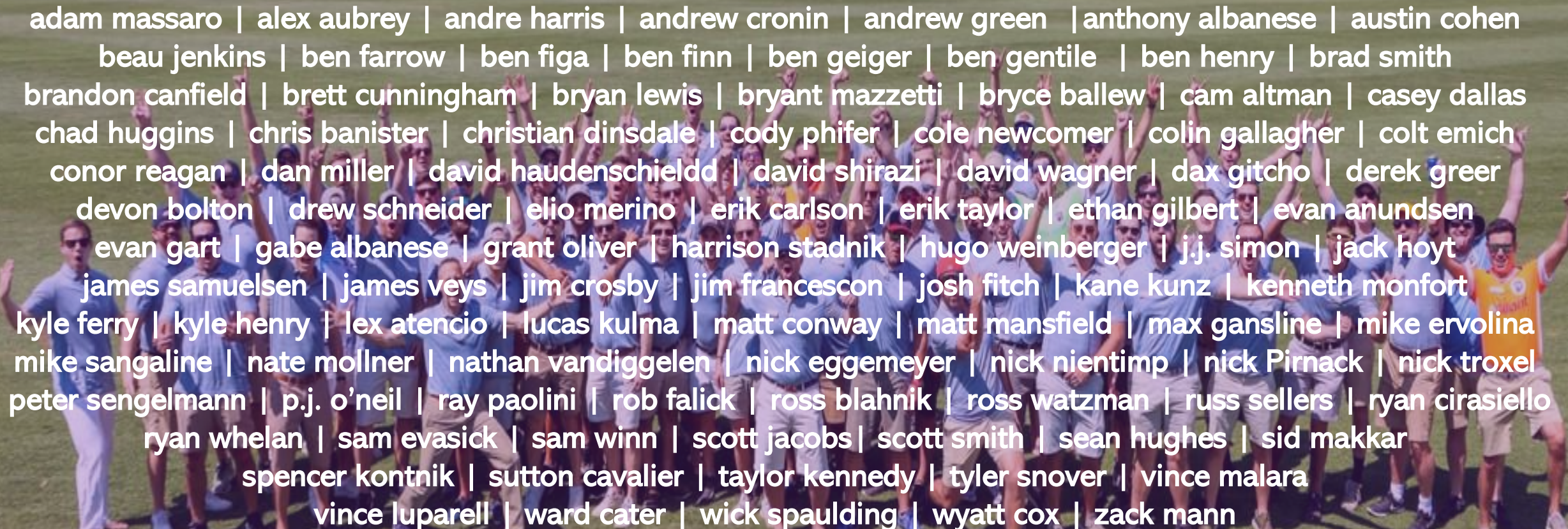
Ward Electric Company, Inc. (2021-23)
The Morton Family (2021-23)
Baceline Group (2021-23)
The Arnold Family (2021-23)

First Western Trust
Gart Properties
Gil Guethlein
Globus Family of Brands
Greenberg Traurig
Heritage Title Company
i2 Construction
Iconic Investments / Ibex Investors
IMA Corporation
Independent Financial Bank
JACO General Contractors
Jones Lang LaSalle
Kelton and Rachael Carter
Kemper Foundation
Kentwood Properties
Kirkpatrick Bank
Kontrnik-Cohen PC
Land Title Guarantee Company
Liv Sotheby's Wolfe-Bouc Group
Longhill Contracting

MHM Lending
MidFirst Bank
Monarch Investments
Monfort Development Company
New York Life
Newell Team | Pinnacle Real Estate Advisors
Non-Plus Ultra
Outrigger Energy
PCL Construction
PDC Energy
Powers Brown Architecture
Project Farma
Quaero Group
RBC Wealth Advisors
Site Impact
Sparks Financial
Sunlife
Tributary Real Estate
UMB Bank

WHO ARE THE MEN
WHO MATTER?

Building Our Community's Leaders



adam massaro | alex aubrey | andre harris | andrew cronin | andrew green | anthony albanese | austin cohen
beau jenkins | ben farrow | ben figa | ben finn | ben geiger | ben gentile | ben henry | brad smith
brandon canfield | brett cunningham | bryan lewis | bryant mazzetti | bryce ballew | cam altman | casey dallas
chad huggins | chris banister | christian dinsdale | cody phifer | cole newcomer | colin gallagher | colt emich
conor reagan | dan miller | david haudenschildd | david shirazi | david wagner | dax gitcho | derek greer
devon bolton | drew schneider | elio merino | erik carlson | erik taylor | ethan gilbert | evan anundsen
evan gart | gabe albanese | grant oliver | harrison stadnik | hugo weinberger | j.j. simon | jack hoyt
james samuelsen | james veys | jim crosby | jim francescon | josh fitch | kane kunz | kenneth monfort
kyle ferry | kyle henry | lex atencio | lucas kulma | matt conway | matt mansfield | max gansline | mike ervolina
mike sangaline | nate mollner | nathan vandiggelen | nick eggemeyer | nick nientimp | nick Pirnack | nick troxel
peter sengelmann | p.j. o'neil | ray paolini | rob falick | ross blahnik | ross watzman | russ sellers | ryan cirasiello
ryan whelan | sam evasick | sam winn | scott jacobs | scott smith | sean hughes | sid makkar
spencer kontnik | sutton cavalier | taylor kennedy | tyler snover | vince malara
vince luparell | ward cater | wick spaulding | wyatt cox | zack mann

WHO ARE
THE LEADERS?

Committed to Transform Our Community



Board of Directors

Adam Massaro, 2021-2022 President
Cody Phifer, 2022-2023 President-Elect
David Shirazi, 2020-2021 Past President

Beau Jenkins, Treasurer
Tyler Snover, Treasurer
James Samuelsen, Secretary

Devon Bolton, Director
Ethan Gilbert, Director
Taylor Kennedy, Director
Nick Pirnack, Director

Brett Cunningham, Grant Review Chair
Erik Taylor, Events Chair
Vince Luparell, General Counsel

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Adam Cohen, Executive Director

Mission

*Develop philanthropic leaders who mobilize
the community to impact the lives of
disadvantaged children*

Vision

*By 2023, Denver Active 20-30 Children's
Foundation will have doubled the amount of
money raised and distributed over 2018*

Funding Pillars

Education
Health & Wellbeing
Child Advocacy
Personal Enrichment

HOW CAN WE CONNECT?

Reach Out to Our Team



social



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traditional

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A man never **stands so tall** as when kneeling to help a child.

BUILDING LEADERS



Our members cultivate philanthropic skills, have life-changing experiences that shape their world views, and solidify their community leadership roles.

BENEFITING CHILDREN



The community need compels us to reach higher and work harder to create value for the nonprofits and children our Foundation supports.

