

RECORD-SETTING COMMUNITY INVESTMENT



ADAM MASSARO 2021-2022 PRESIDENT

The year 2022 marked another fundraising record for DCF. In fact, we are approaching achievement of our 5-year vision established in 2018: to double the amount of funds distributed over 2018.

From setting a new record for Christmas for Kids to hosting the Denver Barn Party in a new venue to lifting the Denver Polo Classic to and beyond its pre-pandemic level, each DCF event reached a new threshold of success. And, we launched a new name and brand in 2022

DCF is more focused than ever on our rigorous charity review process and maximizing its impact on the community. I have been a member of DCF for more than a decade and our future has never looked brighter. Thank you!



CODY PHIFER 2022-2023 PRESIDENT

I'm incredibly proud to serve as President of this amazing organization. DCF fills a void that my professional life lacks: giving back to a community that has afforded me so many blessings.

As a Denver native, I've seen our city and state grow tremendously. The evolution has been largely positive – but we'd be kidding ourselves if we didn't recognize the populations left behind, including children. At DCF, we fight for underserved youth to level the playing field so that they can participate in the rewards that our great city and state have to offer.

I'm thrilled to lead DCF to reach our 5-year 2023 vision and new record-setting levels.





ADAM COHEN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

It was a year of epic proportion, with bigger and better events and recordsetting fundraising and grantmaking.

For the first time in our history, nearly 50% of our funds resulted from non-event sources: Legacy Grants, cash contributions, Colorado Child Care Tax Credit donations, and matches. We proudly distribute \$1 for every \$0.13 in salary (mine!). And, we extended our reputation for world-class events that raise funds, build relationships, and celebrate community success.

Will we surpass fundraising records in 2023? Our Board, membership, and sponsors have a laser focus on transforming the lives of children in need in Colorado. Count on it and count on us.

COMMUNITY COMMITMENT

DCF Members, sponsors, and donors led the way to a record-setting year for deploying funds into the community where children have the greatest need.

\$1,452,500







BEYOND BRANDING

Our new brand launched in early 2021 elevates our worldclass events, member-led culture, and compelling mission – expanding opportunities to impact our community.

bold + inspired





You choose the children's needs your grant fulfills.

- Our members evaluate and select the best charities.
- Your contribution empowers our members to develop their skills as philanthropic leaders.

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

COLORADO TAX CREDIT 50% OF DONATION
Colorado Child Care Contribution tax credit AND
applicable Federal and State deductions for all

growth + impact-

donations greater than \$1,000.

LEGACY
GRANTS +
COLORADO
TAX
CREDITS





IMPACT INVESTING



Legacy Grant investors value our elite due diligence in charity evaluation, the impact their donation makes, and tax benefits they receive.

focus + value

Baceline Investments Gives (child advocacy) – 2021-2023

Chris and Joy Dinsdale Family (arts and culture) – 2019-2021

Jason White / White Out Consulting (outdoor education) - 2020-2022

Kane Kunz (arts and trades) – 2022-2024

Karen and Charles Farver Family (hunger and wellness) – 2020-2022

Matt Ward / Ward Electric (children with special needs) - 2020-2022

Ryan Arnold Family (outdoor education) - 2021-2023

Stefan Morton / Morton Family (education) – 2021-2025

Zach and Roxanne May Family (adoption and fostering) - 2019-2021

Mann Family (education) - 2023-2025

Elite Due Diligence Selects Best of the Best

DCF members commit 1,000+ hours cumulatively to evaluate more than 130 grant applicants to choose the best-in-class charities.



Nonprofits spanning Education, Health & Well Being, Child Advocacy, and Personal Enrichment request grants.



REVIEW

Members visit with and interview grant applicants, complete the grant review form, and calculate ratings.



Member-led Grant Review

Committee rates each charity and evaluates the portfolio of member recommendations, proposing a grant funding slate.

APPROVE

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

A rating formula implemented in the 2021 Grant Review Cycle helps DCF members of our Grant Review Committee differentiate charity organizations. It's a difficult job and the committee dedicates *more than 250 hours in total* to the critical task. Unlike other foundations where consultants or outside advisors make key decisions about grant recipients, only DCF members choose who receives the funds our sponsors and donors entrust to our stewardship.



Making a Difference Where It Matters Most

DCF Grant Recipients tackle the most critical children's challenges: mental health, health care, education,, hunger, abuse, neglect, opportunity, and more.





YESS INSTITUTE

Builds inclusive learning communities to support students on their Road to Success

Impacts of social-emotional learning model include 85% on-track students vs. 40% peer group, GPA 2.47 vs. 1.15 peer group, and 25% Math improvement vs. 1% peer group.



ART FROM ASHES

Empower struggling youth by providing creative programs that facilitate health and hope through expression, connection, and transformation

Provided programming with 986 youth contacts across the Denver Metro Area and through partnerships with 192 youth-serving agencies and schools.





DENVER CASA

Advocates for the best interests of children who have experienced abuse or neglect

Served 574 children, trained 134 new volunteer child-advocates, and donated 7,485 hours of service.



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MARIA DROSTE COUNSELING CENTER

Provides counseling services tailored to each child's developmental level and emotional capabilities

Delivered on-site children's counseling services at 17 metro-area schools, providing 3,300+ sessions to students ranging from ages 5 to 18 – nearly a 700- session or 27% increase over the prior year





COLORADO I HAVE A DREAM

Provides a holistic academic, social, and emotional program from elementary school through college

90% of CIHAD youth complete high school compared to 74% of youth from low-income communities nationally, and program youth are 3x more likely to go on to earn a bachelor's degree than their peers living in low-income communities







NATIONAL SPORTS CENTER FOR THE DISABLED

By rethinking ability, we instill a spark of "what if" in children who haven't realized what they're capable of

More than 1,019 participants spanning the sports experience including skiing, rock climbing, rafting, and horseback riding

Making a Difference Where It Matters Most

DCF's stewardship ensures funds go the organizations with the greatest impact and strongest operations.

A Child's Song
Adam's Camp
Adoption Options
Advocates for Children - CASA
Art from Ashes
Assistance League of Denver

Attention Inc., dba TGTHR (formerly Attention Homes)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado

Blue Sky Bridge Book Trust

Boys & Girls Club of the Pikes Peak Region

Boys & Girls Clubs of Weld County

Breakthrough at Kent Denver

Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center

CASA of Adams & Broomfield Counties

CASA of the Pikes Peak Region, Inc.

Child Advocates - Denver CASA

ChildSafe Colorado

Clothes To Kids of Denver

Colorado "I Have A Dream" Foundation

Colorado Center for the Blind

Colorado Children's Chorale

Colorado FriendShip Colorado UpLift

Denver Children's Advocacy Center

Denver Children's Home

Denver Kids, Inc.

Deserving Dental

Doctors Care

Educational Access Group

Environmental Learning for Kids

Focus Points Family Resource Center

Food for Hope

Griffith Centers for Children, Inc.

Heart and Hand Center

Hope House Colorado

Illuminate Colorado

Invest in Kids

Jeffco Eats

Judi's House

Kids First Health Care

Kids In Need of Dentistry

Kids Mobility Network

Listen Foundation, Inc.

Maria Droste Counseling Center

Mile High 360

Minds Matter Colorado

National Sports Center for the Disabled

PCs for People

Peak Education

PlatteForum

Ralston House

Reach Out and Read Colorado

Rise Against Suicide

Rocky Mountain Children's Health Foundation

Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center

Rocky Mountain Down Syndrome Association

Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network

Roots Family Center

SafeHouse Denver

Save Our Youth, Inc Second Wind Fund

Second Willa Fulla

Shiloh Home Inc. DBA Shiloh House

Special Olympics Colorado

Summer Scholars DBA Scholars Unlimited

Sun Valley Youth Center

Tennyson Center for Children

The Buddy Program

Third Way Center Thriving Families

We Don't Waste

WeeCycle

YESS Institute

Young Americans Center for Financial Education



Impacting the Community Every Day

DCF doubled grant funds in 2022 vs. 2018, distributes \$1 for every \$0.13 in salary, and held total administrative cost at 16% of distributed funds.





Creating Value With Premier Events

The community recognizes our events as the best around, blending celebration, relationship building, and fundraising.

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 holiday gifts for their family members.

LEADERS FORE KIDS GOLF CLASSIC

Our annual golf event enjoys the beauty and player challenge of Colorado Golf Club, one of Colorado's premier golf 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.



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

Amateur hockey players faced off in an exhibition matchup then enjoyed dinner, networking, and the Colorado Avalanche.



Honoring Our Sponsors and Donors

We are humbled by the continued engagement of our contributors – and inspired by the example they set in the community.



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

Jason White / White Out Consulting (2020-22) Karen and Charles Farver Family (2020-22) Kane Kunz (2022-2024)

The Mann Family (2023-2025) Ward Electric Company (2021-23) The Morton Family (2021-23) Baceline Group (2021-23) The Arnold Family (2021-23)

\$50K - \$75,000

Alliant Insurance

\$20K - \$49,999

Century Communities
The Hamilton Group
Orthopedic Centers of Colorado

\$15K - \$19,999

Albanese Family/CBRE
BluSky Restoration Contractors
Exclusive Resorts
Jordan & Skala Engineers
Globus Family of Brands
Kelln Family Trust
MHM Lending
Phifer Family
PNC Bank

\$10K - \$14,999

Akerman LLP Arrowmark Partners Bank of Colorado Compass Bank DCF Membership Dealers Auto Auction

Envestnet

Non-Plus Ultra

Harvey Cleary Builders Interior Environments Kelton and Rachael Carter Kevin Stark Family

Listings.com Holland Team

Ogletree Deakins Pearl Street Hospitality Powers Brown Architcture Sherman & Howard I I P

Tom Williiams
Trenton Rhodes
Ward Electric Company
Washington Family
Weitz Construction
WynnBet

Sopris Capital Associates

\$5K - \$9,999

Aberdeen Construction Agency FIFTY3

Alcorn Construction Armada Venture Partners BDO Wealth Management

BOK Financial
Breakthru Beverage
Karen Brinckerhoff
Buffalo Builders
Commerce Bank
CRS Insurance
Dell/Epoch

Eide Bailly
Emich Automotive Foundation

Feist Family
Forvis LLP
FristBank
Gart Properties
Greeenberg Traurig
Iconic Investments
Jack Daniel's

Liv Sotheby's Wolfe-Bouc Group

Longhill Contracting

MG Stover

Monarch Investments

Municipal Finance Corporation Nelson Mullins Raymond Paolini

RBC Wealth Management

Sigma Computing
Situs Real Estate
SunLife Financial
SVR Real Estate
T. Craig Mills
Trina Jablonsky

Wipfli



Building Our Community's Leaders

The gentlemen of DCF emphasize the mission, stewardship, collaboration, and camaraderie...

adam massaro | adam gressa | alex aubrey | andre harris | andrew green | barton thompson | beau jenkins ben farrow | ben finn | ben geiger | ben fishman | ben henry | braden fridell | brandon jones | brendan mulcahy brendan o'heir | brett cunningham | bryan lewis | bryant mazzetti | cam altman | casey dallas | chad huggins chris banister | christian dinsdale | cody phifer | cole newcomer | colt emich | dan miller | david haudenschield david wagner | dax gitcho | derek greer | devon bolton | dillon o'dea | elio merino | erik carlson | erik comer ethan gilbert | evan anundsen | evan gart | gabe albanese | gino scarpelli | hugo weinberger | j.j. simon | jack hoyt james samuelsen | james veys | jayce smallwood | jim crosby | jim francescon | john mastro | josh fitch | kane kunz kenneth monfort | kyle ferry | kyle henry | lex atencio | lucas kulma | matt conway | matt mansfield | max gansline max molitor | mike ervolina | michael fancher | mike sangaline | mitch kelln | nathan oxman | nathan vandiggelen nick eggemeyer | nick nientimp | nick pirnack | nick troxel | nino lawson | peter sengelmann | raymond paolini richard self | rob falick | ross blahnik | russ sellers | ryan cirasiello | ryan whelan | ryan mclean | ryan tracy sam evasick | sam winn | scott jacobs | sean hughes | sid makkar | sutton cavalier | taylor kennedy | tim laning tyler chapman | tyler snover | vince malara | vince luparell | wick spaulding | will hightower | wyatt cox | zack mann



Committed to Transform Our Community

Elected by their peers, DCF's Board of Directors leads by example to achieve our mission and vision.



Board of Directors

Cody Phifer, 2022-2023 President Beau Jenkins, 2023-2024 President-Elect Adam Massaro, 2021-2022 Past President

> Tyler Snover, Treasurer James Samuelsen, Treasurer Lucas Kulma, Secretary

Devon Bolton, Director Ray Paolini, Director Jack Hoyt, Director Nick Pirnack, Director

J.J. Simon, Grant Review Chair Vince Luparell, General Counsel

Adam Cohen, Executive Director

Mission

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

Vision

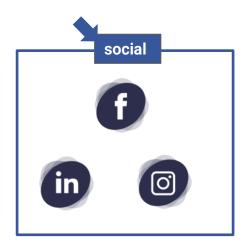
By 2023, Denver Children's Foundation will have doubled the amount of money raised and distributed over 2018

Funding Pillars

Education
Health & Wellbeing
Child Advocacy
Personal Enrichment

Reach Out to Our Team

We are here to serve our community, to honor our sponsors and donors, and to transform the lives of underserved youth.









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

BUILDING LEADERS

Our members cultivate philanthropic skills, have lifechanging 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.

