

2023 ANNUAL REVIEW

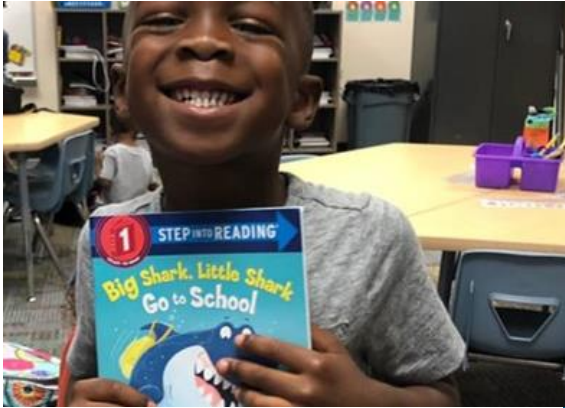


DCF
DENVER
CHILDREN'S
FOUNDATION



DCF's investment transforms and saves lives

Our Members, sponsors, donors, and partners give children in need a path forward and create opportunities for success.



OUR MISSION

Develop philanthropic leaders who activate the community to transform the lives of at-risk and disadvantaged children.



The Denver Children's Foundation (DCF) is a non-profit service organization for business leaders between the ages of 20 and 39.

The Foundation members represent a diversity of professional backgrounds. Founded in 1987 as a chartered organization under Active 20-30 International, DCF rebranded as an independent foundation in 2022.

Since 1987, DCF has raised and distributed more than \$18 million in the community.

Where we've been and where we're going

After doubling fundraising from 2018 to 2022, we are positioned to achieve a 5-year vision to double our fundraising again..



CODY PHIFER
2022-2023
PRESIDENT

In 2023, DCF granted nearly \$1.5 million to nonprofits in Denver and across Colorado.

Through a rigorous due diligence process, we identify the most efficient and impactful nonprofits serving underprivileged youth. This enables us to allocate our donors' generous contributions effectively, responsibly, and in amounts that are truly meaningful to each grant recipient and, more importantly to the children they support.

At DCF, we work every day to level the playing field for kids facing adversity. Whether they struggle with poverty, healthcare needs, intellectual disabilities, or other obstacles, DCF provides the resources needed to help those children reach their highest potential. Simply put, we save lives!



BEAU JENKINS
2023-2024
PRESIDENT

Our 100 Members energize our charitable focus on at-risk and disadvantaged children.

Our mission depends on developing young philanthropic leaders who activate the community. Each new year presents a rich learning opportunity to develop our community's current and future philanthropic, business, social, civic, and cultural leaders. Our Board, Grant Review Committee, Event Chairs, and working committees are composed 100% of Members. Your investment in DCF enables Members to learn to lead, to build capabilities, and to give back to our community.

Thank you! Your support makes all the difference in children's lives and advances the next generation of Colorado's leaders.



ADAM COHEN
EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR

Our community and Members came through when it counted in 2023, setting fundraising records and improving events.

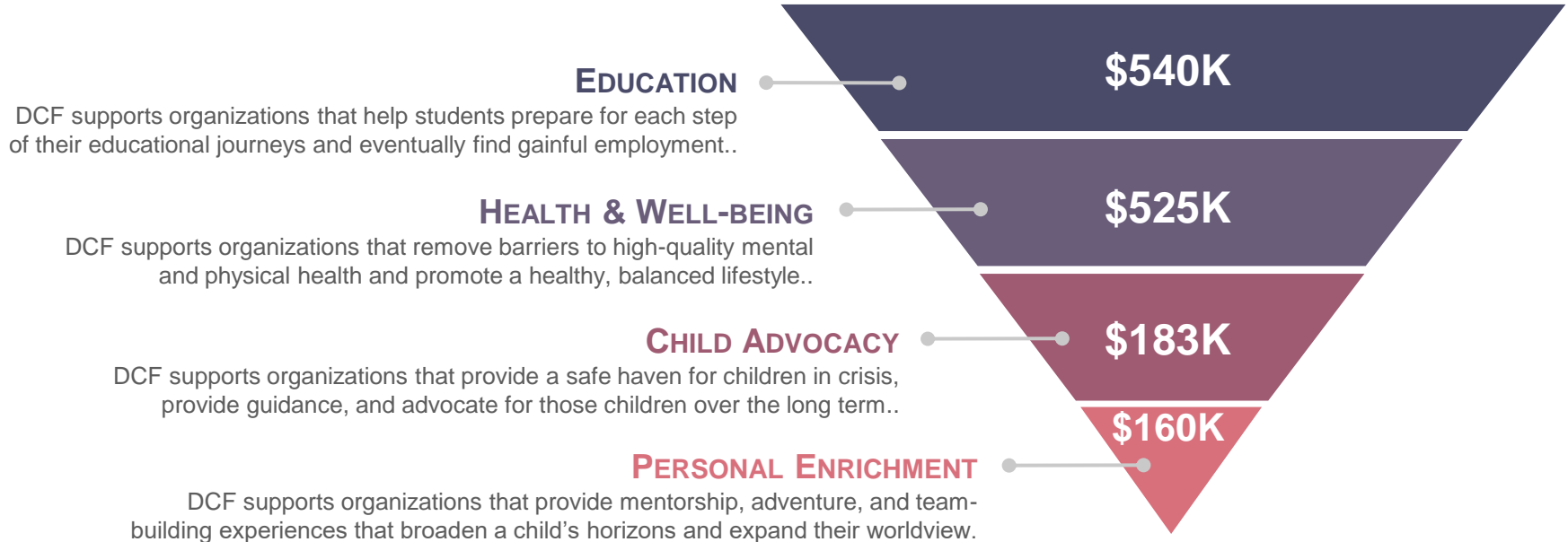
For the first time in our history, more than 50% of our funds resulted from non-event sources. We proudly distributed nearly \$1.5 million in 2023 to the best-of-the-best charities. We set records in some fundraising events and made some big changes in several events (Polo Classic Drone Show, Golf Classic guest activities, Barn Party Levitt Pavilion venue) and advanced our new DCF brand.

Stay tuned in 2024 as we double down on our commitment to transforming the lives of children in need in Colorado. Our Members take pride in their dedication to the community. Join us!



Community Commitment

DCF Members, sponsors, and donors lead the way, investing nearly \$1.5M in grants to transform the lives of children in need.



Elite Due Diligence Selects Best of the Best

DCF Members commit 1,000+ hours in aggregate to evaluate more than 150 grant applicants and to choose the best-in-class charities.



APPLY

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.



EVALUATE

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 helps DCF members of our Grant Review Committee differentiate charity organizations. It's a difficult job and the all-Member 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.



Investing Where Funds Go Farthest

After more than 1,000 hours of due diligence and an exhaustive evaluation and selection process, the best charities receive our funding.



Horizons Colorado

Horizons served 203 children who received 633 hours of academic instruction, 360 hours of social/emotional learning, 368 hours of enrichment programming across all grades, and 12,180 free, nutritious meals



Safehouse Denver

Experiencing a 16% increase in children served in residential programs, Safehouse's Youth Advocacy Program helps youth and teens avoid and/or heal from relationship violence at a critical time in their lives.



Thriving Families

Served 567 new families – including 200+ teen mothers – in its MotherWise program, Thriving Families has reduced pre-term birth by 55% and improved newborn birth weight.

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WeeCycle

In 2023, WeeCycle distributed more than 6.1 million diapers and 500,000+ essential baby gear items to Colorado infants and toddlers to restore dignity to those struggling.



Colorado Center for the Blind

Through a transformative program redesign, the Center provides high-quality, welcoming and challenging annual programs and training for more than 100 blind youth ages 4 to college.



Hope House

Served 191 children in 2023 and provided early intervention to 100% of children through its Early Learning and School Age Program, Hope House also conducts a STEM summer program to children and teen moms engaged in science.

Making a Difference Where It Matters Most

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

A Child's Song
A Precious Child, Inc.
Adam's Camp
Adoption Options
Advocates for Children-CASA
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado
Book Trust
Boys & Girls Club of the Pikes Peak Region
Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center
CASA of Adams & Broomfield Counties
CASA of Jefferson and Gilpin Counties
CASA of Larimer County
CASA of the Pikes Peak Region, Inc.
Child Advocates – Denver CASA
ChildSafe Colorado
Clothes To Kids of Denver*
Colorado Association of Black Professional Engineers and Scientists
Colorado Center for the Blind
Colorado I Have A Dream Foundation
Colorado UpLift
Colorado Youth for a Change
Delta Gamma Anchor Center for Blind Children
Denver Area Youth Services
Denver Children's Advocacy Center

Denver Children's Home
Denver Kids, Inc.
Denver Scholarship Foundation
Doctors Care
Environmental Learning for Kids
Family Learning Center
Finally Home Foundation
Focus Points Family Resource Center
Food for Hope
Girls Inc. of Metro Denver
Heart and Hand Center
Hope House Colorado
Horizons at Colorado Academy
Illuminate Colorado
Jeffco Eats
Judi's House
Kids First Health Care
Kids In Need of Dentistry
Kids Mobility Network
Listen Foundation, Inc.
Maria Droste Counseling Center
Minds Matter Colorado
National Sports Center for the Disabled
Peak Education

PlatteForum
Ralston House
Reaching HOPE
Rise Against Suicide
Rocky Mountain Down Syndrome Association
Roots Family Center
SafeHouse Denver
Save Our Youth, Inc
Second Wind Fund
Sherman Entrepreneurship Foundation (DBA HighView)
Shiloh Home, Inc
Special Olympics Colorado
Summer Scholars DBA Scholars Unlimited
Sun Valley Youth Center
Tennyson Center for Children
Third Way Center
Thriving Families
Urban Peak Denver
Warren Village
We Don't Waste
WeeCycle
YESS Institute
Young Americans Center for Financial Education



Elite Fundraising Events

Our events build a strong foundation, putting the “FUN” in fundraising for our sponsors and community members.



CREATE A LEGACY THROUGH YOUR INVESTMENT IN DCF



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

COLORADO CHILD CARE CONTRIBUTION TAX CREDIT = 50% OF DONATION



Colorado Child Care Contribution Tax Credit AND applicable Federal and State deductions for all donations greater than \$1,000 up to \$100,000 annually.



LEGACY
GRANTS +
COLORADO
TAX
CREDITS

growth + impact



Investing in Colorado's Children

Donors and children in need benefit from investment in DCF using the Colorado Child Care Contribution Tax Credit.

1

DONATE \$1,000 OR MORE

Cash donations from \$1,000 to \$100,000 (annual limit) with no goods or services received are eligible.

2

GET A 50% DIRECT INCOME TAX CREDIT

Colorado taxpayers (individuals or organizations) receive a tax credit of 50% of the donation to offset their state income tax.

3

INVEST IN CHILDREN IN NEED

DCF evaluates, selects, and funds charities qualified for Colorado Child Care Contribution Tax Credit donations.



WATCH OUR VIDEO!

DCF's Year by the Numbers

Fundraising in 2023 to overcome global and local economic challenges to keep pace with a record-setting 2022.

CHILDREN SERVED

Protecting, nurturing, educating,
and advancing children in need.



20,000+

\$1.4M+

CHARITIES FUNDED

Our funding invests in the most
impactful charities serving children.



71



GRANT FUNDING

Non-event fundraising surpassed
50% of available funds in 2023.

YEARS OF SERVICE

Today's Members build on a
foundation laid by visionary leaders..



36

143



MEMBERS

Volunteer Member-leaders join forces to
transform the lives of at-risk children.

GRANT APPLICANTS

Many strong charities apply and DCF
Members select and fund only the best.



Honoring Our Sponsors and Donors

Our valued sponsors and contributors make a difference when it counts the most and set a sterling example in the community.

\$120,000+



SCHOMP

\$50,000 - \$75,000

The Hamilton Group and United Energy Trading

\$20,000 - \$49,999

*Bradley and Corey Parker
Claytie Moorman and Friends
Mitch Kelln | The Agency
Phifer Family and Friends
Reserva de la Familia by Jose Cuervo
SCA Healthcare*

\$15,000 - \$19,999

*Artisan Home Loans
Bank of Colorado
Exclusive Resorts
Kelln Family Trust
Nelson Family Foundation
PNC Bank*

\$10,000 - \$14,999

*Akerman
Bessemer Trust
Dealers Auto Auction
Envestnet
First Western Trust
Great Southern Bank
Harvey Cleary Builders
Interior Environments
Irving Stern Foundation
Kemper Foundation
Listings.com Holland Team
Non-Plus Ultra
Northwestern Mutual | Alisiani-Sparks
Ogletree Deakins
PCL Construction
Powers Brown Architecture
Revelstoke Capital Partners
T. Craig Mills and Family
Ward Electric Company
Washington Family*

\$10,000 - \$15,000 LEGACY GRANT DONORS

*Kane Kunz (2022-2024)
The Mann Family (2023-2025)
Ward Electric Company (2021-23)*

*The Morton Family (2021-25)
Baceline Group (2021-23)
The Arnold Family (2021-25)*

\$5,000 - \$9,999

*Alex Leonida
Alpine Bank
Armada Venture Partners
Bibbeo LTD
BluSky Restoration
BOK Financial
Brad and Kathy Coors Foundation
Breakthru Beverage
Buffalo Builders
Carla Beveridge
CBRE Albanese-Weld
CLFS Equities
Commerce Bank
Compass | Blahnik
Compass | Finn
CRS Insurance
David Castilla
David Robertson
DCF Membership
E. Thomas Arrington Foundation
Emich Cares Foundation
Erik and Sarah Carlson
Forvis
First Alliance Title
FirstBank
Gart Properties
Greenberg Traurig
Halliburton*

*Jack Daniels
John Curley
John Kelley Trucking
Karen Brinckerhoff
KP Kauffman and Company
LaVaca Trading
MidFirst Bank
Monarch Investments
Pearce-Green Mechanical
Pearl Street Hospitality
Pless Law Firm
RBC Wealth Management
Salazar Family Foundation
Schmeits Family
Mark Schryver
SJ Ward Landscaping
SunLife Financial
SVR Real Estate
Target Foundation
Tito's Vodka
Tom Vick
Trenton Rhodes
Trina Jablonsky
TSG Properties
UMB Wealth Management
Varana Capital
Wipfli
World's Fair Pictures*



Building Our Community's Leaders

The gentlemen of DCF emphasize the mission, stewardship, collaboration, and camaraderie in service to our community.

Adam Gressa | Adam Massaro | Alex Aubrey | Alex Nance | Andre Harris | Andrew Green | Andrew Lane
Beau Jenkins | Ben Farrow | Ben Finn | Ben Fishman | Brady Anderson | Brandon Jones | Brendan Mulcahy
Brendan O'Heir | Bryan Lewis | Bryant Mazzetti | Cameron Altman | Casey Dallas | Chad Hayden | Chad Huggins
Chris Kenney | Christian Banister | Christian Dinsdale | Cody Phifer | Colin Mulligan | Colson Castilla | Colt Emich
Dallas Doiron | Dan Miller | David Haudenschild | David Wagner | Devon Bolton | Dillon O'Dea | Elio Merino
Erik Carlson | Erik Comer | Ethan Gilbert | Evan Anundsen | Evan Gart | Gabe Albanese | Gino Scarpelli
Ian Epstein | J.J. Simon | Jack Hoyt | James Samuelsen | James Veys | Jason Arneson | Jayce Smallwood
John Mastro | Jordan Williams | Josh Fitch | Kane Kunz | Kenny Monfort | Kyle Henry | Lex Atencio | Madison Kelley
Matt Mansfield | Max Gansline | Max Molitor | Michael Ervolina | Michael Fancher | Mike Sangaline | Mitch Kelln
Nathan Oxman | Nick Behm | Nick Eggemeyer | Nick Nientimp | Nick Pirnack | Nick Troxel | Nino Lawson
Ray Paolini | Rich Miskiewicz | Richard Self | Rick DeFino | Rob Falick | Ross Blahnik | Russ Sellers | Ryan Cirsanello
Ryan McLean | Ryan Tracy | Ryan Whelan | Sam Evasick | Sam Winn | Scott Jacobs | Sean Hughes | Sutton Cavalier
Tanner Scholvin | Taylor Kennedy | Tim Laning | Travis Marr | Trent Torres | Tyler Chapman | Tyler Snover
Vince Luparell | Vince Malara | Vinny Sangaline | Wick Spaulding | Will Hightower | Wyatt Cox | Zac Clark | 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

Beau Jenkins, 2023-2024 President
Nick Pirnack, 2024-2025 President-Elect
Cody Phifer, 2022-2023 Past President

David Haudenschild, Treasurer
James Samuelsen, Treasurer
Rob Falick, Secretary

Devon Bolton, Director
Tyler Snover, Director
Jack Hoyt, Director
Erik Carlson, Director

James Samuelsen, Grant Review 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

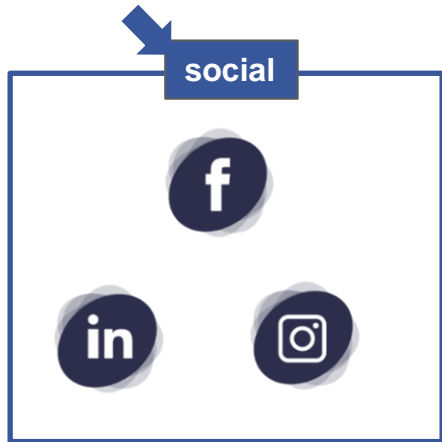
*By 2028, Denver Children's Foundation will
have doubled the amount of money raised
and distributed over 2023 to \$3M+*

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 **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.

