

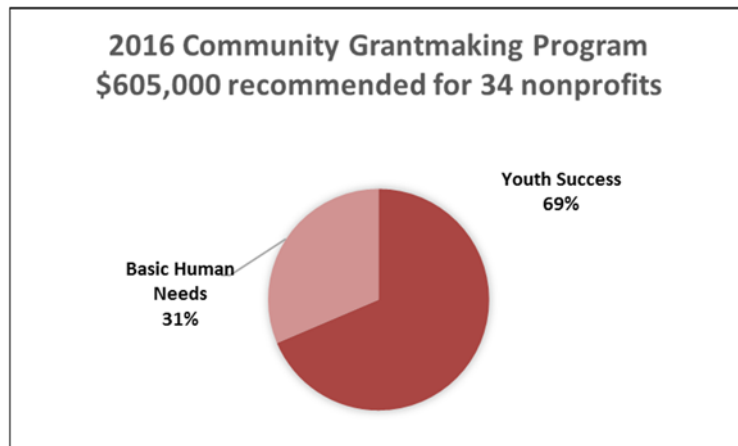
Community Grantmaking Program

For more than three decades, Aspen Community Foundation has been providing discretionary grants to nonprofit organizations responding to the evolving needs of our service area. These community grants are made through annual contributions from individuals wishing to support a pooled grantmaking fund.

With the advent of the Cradle to Career Initiative, ACF understands how improving outcomes for youth – from birth through career readiness – can substantially benefit our region’s quality of life and economy.

In addition to the collaborative new projects that have been launched through the Initiative, ACF’s Community Grantmaking Program recognizes the importance of maintaining and elevating the capacity of high performing nonprofits that engage youth and strengthen families.

For 2016, ACF’s Community Grantmaking Program prioritized general operating and programmatic grants to nonprofits working in early childhood education, family supports, and youth development. In addition, because the availability of basic human needs, such as food, shelter, safety and healthcare, is critically linked to youth success, “safety net” nonprofits serving youth and families remained a secondary grantmaking priority.



2016 Community Grantmaking Program Recipients

Youth Success

Access AfterSchool
 Aspen Santa Fe Ballet, Folklorico
 Aspen School District Summer Preschools
 Aspen Valley Ski/Snowboard Club
 Aspen Youth Center
 Blue Lake Preschool and Little Blue
 The Buddy Program
 Children’s Rocky Mountain School
 Family Resource Center
 of the Roaring Fork School District
 Family Visitor Programs
 Growing Years School
 Mount Sopris Montessori School
 Mountain Valley Developmental Services
 OUR School
 Raising A Reader Aspen to Parachute
 Roaring Fork School Health Centers
 Stepping Stones of the Roaring Fork Valley
 Summer Advantage, Roaring Fork Valley
 Valley Settlement Project

Yampah Mountain High School
 and Teen Parent Program
 YouthEntity
 YouthZone

Basic Human Needs

A Way Out
 Advocate Safehouse Project
 Alpine Legal Services
 Aspen to Parachute Dental Health Alliance
 Catholic Charities, Western Slope
 English In Action
 LIFT-UP
 Literacy Outreach
 Mountain Family Health Centers
 Planned Parenthood of the
 Rocky Mountains, Glenwood Springs
 RESPONSE
 River Bridge Regional Center