ACF Funds



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Aspen to Parachute is geographically, racially and culturally diverse and rich in opportunity for the individuals and families who call it home. Our biggest challenges are best addressed when we come together, share our expertise, and invest in community-led solutions.

ACF supports our partners to catalyze community impact in the areas of:



EARLY CHILDHOOD

The foundation for a thriving future is built in early childhood, with 90% of brain development occurring between birth and five years old. Our goal is that all children develop the social-emotional and cognitive skills to thrive and be successful. We work with the community to ensure that all young children and their families have support, resources and access to quality care. With decades of experience, ACF has built relationships with the region's most effective program and service leaders. Together, we have expanded, strengthened and innovated the early childhood system in the Aspen to Parachute region. With the support of hundreds of donors, nearly \$5.9 million has been invested to support young children and their families.



COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Impactful solutions to our region's inequalities come from people working within the community to ignite change. Our goal is to ensure our region's opportunities are accessible to all by connecting leaders and catalyzing progress. We convene local leaders, assess changing needs, gather and distribute data, and, when appropriate, propose action on critical concerns. We support community-led conversations around pressing needs and promising solutions to issues affecting the Aspen to Parachute region. To ensure a sustainable impact ecosystem, we support our nonprofit network in accessing opportunities to increase their capacity and effectiveness.



YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

Developing the skills to support social, emotional, mental, and physical well-being empowers young people to engage in their community, develop healthy self-esteem, and experience success into adulthood. Our goal is that all youth build competency and confidence to thrive, now and in the future. We invest in opportunities and initiatives that support youth as they build resiliency and strengthen their physical, emotional and mental health.

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ULTIMATE SKI PASS

For nearly 45 years, Aspen Skiing Company and ACF have partnered to elevate impact through the Ultimate Ski Pass program. Each year, Aspen Skiing Company donates ski passes to support ACF's community impact efforts. Donors can purchase one of these limited fully transferable passes, gaining access to unlimited skiing, uphilling and exploring at all four Aspen Skiing Company mountains while giving back to the community.



MENTAL HEALTH FUND

In partnership with HeadQuarters, ACF provides financial assistance to help individuals and families who find themselves struggling to cope with mental health or substance abuse. Funds help people access health care that meets their mental health needs.



ENVIRONMENT FOUNDATION

Created in 1997, the Environment Foundation is an initiative created by the Aspen Skiing Company to allow employees to support local and statewide environmental efforts including education, stewardship, conservation and advocacy. Employee contributions to the fund are matched by the Aspen Skiing Company Family Fund and the Aspen Community Foundation. The Environmental Foundation provides grants to organizations dedicated to protecting and preserving the regional environment.



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

ACF provides emergency financial assistance to help individuals and families in the Aspen to Parachute region who are experiencing temporary financial hardship and have exhausted other community resources.

Thank you for choosing to support Aspen Community Foundation. Additional funds and donation opportunities are available.

If you are looking to make a different type of gift or have any questions, please contact Stephanie Gianneschi, Director of Philanthropic Services

