## COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Chilkat Valley Community Foundation, an *Affiliate* of ACF Connecting People Who Care With Causes That Matter.

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Thanks to you, the Chilkat Valley Community Foundation's "permanent funds" total almost \$500,000. And these funds will continue to grow, since the principal is never spent. Because of your ongoing support, \$18,868 in grants was awarded this year.

The 2016 grant funds came from the following sources: General Endowment Fund \$15,245, Environmental Fund \$500. Memorial Fund \$1,695, Call Family Fund \$428, anonymous regranting donations \$1,000.



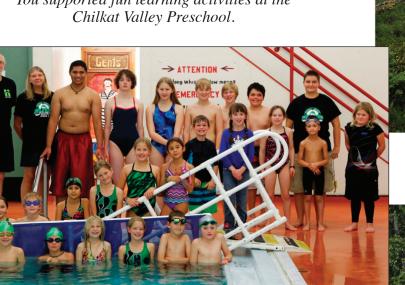
### **Grants Awarded in 2016**

Organization		Amount
Alaska Arts Confluence	Operating Support	\$1,000
Becky's Place Haven of Hope	Equipment & Conferences	\$1,500
Chilkat Valley Preschool	Operating Support	\$1,500
Chilkat Valley Preschool	New Building Grant	\$3,500
Friends of the Haines Library	Reupholstering of Chairs	\$1,634
Haines Avalanche Information Center	Operating Support	\$1,500
Haines Dolphins Swim Team	Operating Support	\$1,500
Haines Friends of Recycling	Repair Recycling Bins	\$984
Haines Hot Shots	Operating Support	\$750
Haines Senior Center	ADA Lift Van Replacement	\$1,000
Haines Senior Village	New Lighting	\$800
Lynn Canal Conservation	Presentations	\$500
Sheldon Museum & Cultural Center	Safe Exhibits	\$1,000
Southeast Alaska Independent Living	Adaptive Culinary Arts	\$1,200
Takshanuk Watershed Council	Summer Garden Intern	\$500
	Total Awa	rded \$18,868

# **Highlights of Your Gifts in Action!**



You supported fun learning activities at the



You helped the young swimmers of the Haines Dolphins Swim Team.



Your donations supported activities of the Alaska Arts Confluence, such as First Friday events.



Your generosity helped with after-hours transportation of the Haines Senior Center van.

# 2017: A Year for Exciting Changes

The Chilkat Valley Community Foundation serves the interests of our community with a "permanent fund" endowment set up for the Chilkat Valley. We support local nonprofits with grants and educational opportunities, bringing people together to improve community life now and for years to come. The CVCF also assists individuals to set up new funds that can serve a unique interest or need.

CVCF was founded in 2008 as an affiliate of The Alaska Community Foundation (ACF). We are locally governed by a volunteer advisory board. Our funds are professionally invested and managed by ACF, and we receive many levels of organizational support from ACF.

The Rasmuson Foundation, one of Alaska's largest philanthropic organizations, has been a key player in helping ACF set up affiliate community foundations such as ours. Now, ACF and the Rasmuson Foundation have created a 4-year program to help boost the effectiveness of CVCF as well as other affiliates statewide.

In October 2016, Nina Kemppel, The Alaska Community Foundation President & CEO, and Sammye Pokryfki, Rasmuson Foundation Senior Vice President, visited our community and brought good news for the Chilkat Valley Community Foundation: many new levels of support will be made available for 2017-2020.

The Rasmuson Foundation is continuing its partnership with The Alaska Community Foundation to foster growth of the affiliates statewide through 2020. That support will bring exciting changes to the Chilkat Valley – changes that will be important to the local nonprofits and CVCF donors!

- ♦ Starting in January, CVCF will have a 25-hour-per-month staff person, funded through ACF and The Rasmuson Foundation, to help with administrative and clerical tasks. Thanks to Lynn Canal Corporation's generosity, the staff person will be working from a rent-free office space in the Gateway Building, making it easy for YOU to stop by and visit.
- ♦ Additional training opportunities will be offered to CVCF board, staff and committee members during the next four years. Expert assistance for donors who wish to set up special funds, bequests, or other giving situations will be available from ACF staff as well.
- ♦ There will be additional support for affiliate operating expenses and grant making, AND wonderful matching opportunities for all donations.

What does all this mean to YOU? Greater opportunities to build community through giving and to help improve the quality of life in our community, today and in the future.

Watch for more details in 2017 on how your donations can help to continue the growth of your CVCF!



### **Donor Highlight**



Alekka and Michael Fullerton knew that they loved the small-town friendliness and beauty of Southeast Alaska, but it took the prompting of their younger daughter, Anna, to convince them to pull up roots in Davis, California, and make the move North. "We all love it here," said Anna during a family vacation in Haines in August of 2015. "What's it going to take for us to move here?" That was it. They made an offer on a house in Haines, put their family home on the market in California and enrolled Anna for her junior year at Haines High School. "It was weirdly easy," says Alekka, "everything just fell into place."

Michael was the first to visit Alaska, traveling to Angoon for a fishing trip in 2002. "I was amazed with the beauty of Southeast Alaska," recalls Michael,

"but it was hard to capture the magnificence of it when I returned home." He brought the family back for a cruise, and then again for an RV vacation, and finally a summer trip on the Alaska Marine Highway, which landed them in Haines on that fateful August day.

Alekka grew up in Davis, and the couple met in college. The son of an airline pilot who moved the family frequently, Michael craved stability and community, which they found in Alekka's hometown. A family law attorney in practice with her mom, Alekka volunteered for a women's shelter and started a crisis nursery for families who needed a safe place to bring their children. They raised their three children in Davis and were active with the Methodist church, the local PTA and their children's sports teams. Michael and Alekka recognized the same close-knit community and civic involvement in Haines, which is one of the reasons both say they felt comfortable here so quickly.

The family made a donation to the Chilkat Valley Community Foundation soon after they moved to town, after seeing an ad for the organization in the Chilkat Valley News about the Environmental Fund. Alekka then joined the board of the CVCF. They appreciate being able to support one organization that nurtures and supports so many nonprofits in the area, and have used their connection to CVCF as a way to get to know more about the important work that individual organizations are doing in the Chilkat Valley. "It's really important to focus on community and support good things that are happening locally," said Michael. For Michael that means local purchases, too, in order to support the town and people who live and work here. "We're all in this together," said Michael, "if you render it down to our common purpose."

Welcome to the Chilkat Valley, Fullerton family, and thank you for being a part of our community!



## ~ WAYS TO GIVE ~

Here are some great ways to contribute to CVCF:

- Pick.Click.Give. when you file for your PFD
- Online at www.chilkatvalleycf.org
- **Bequest** to the fund of your choice
- Living Treasures contribution: honor someone special
- **Memorial Fund**: make a gift in memory of a loved one
- Environmental Fund: help sustain a healthy environment in the Chilkat Valley
- **Recurring Gift Options**: every 1, 2, 3 or 6 months, or annually
- In-Kind Donations: current needs are for a desk and a computer

Thank you for your generosity!

### Honoring and Thanking...



#### The Living Treasures program

gives people a chance to publicly honor and thank individuals they value who have made a difference in their lives. This year, community members honored these individuals as Living Treasures:

> Anne Boyce & Paul Swift **Marnie Hartman** Valery McCandless Chuck Mitman Caitlin Stern and Jessica Barker

### **CVCF Donors**

### November 18, 2015 - November 16, 2016

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#### Chilkat Valley Community Foundation Memorial Fund

The founding donors gave in memory of:

♥Walter Feit ♥ Ted and Leola Myren ♥ Bud and Shirley Barber ♥ ♥ Phil Lende ♥ Sally Vuillet ♥ Roderick William Ross ♥ Hugh Malone ♥ ♥ Russell Bolick ♥ Martha K. Jones ♥ Wilma Henderson ♥ Lyn Dunbar ♥ ♥ Ellen Borders ♥ Madeleine Shields ♥ Stanley G. Laing ♥ ▼ Rip Streater ♥ Norm Smith, Sr. ♥ Charles and Mary Jo Meizner ♥ ▼ Jim and Rachel McDonough ▼ Louis and Hazel Nelson ▼ ♥ Dorothy and Clifford Fossman ♥

#### **2016 Memorial Gifts** made in memory of:

- Jordan Barber
- Linda Graham
- Lib & Whitey Hakkinen
- Betty & Carl Heinmiller
- Merle Howser
- Edith Jacquot
- Sue Luescher
- Susan Meacock

Gifts to the CVCF Memorial Fund honor loved ones who have passed away, and help build a lasting source of income for annual grants to local nonprofits. Since the Memorial Fund was established, grants have been awarded to Hospice of Haines, SAIL, Sheldon Museum, Haines Dolphins, and Becky's Place.

# Your Gifts Support Local Nonprofits!



Haines Hot Shots



Haines Avalanche Information Center



Haines **Dolphins** Swim Team





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