Highlights of Your 2021 Gifts in Action

You helped fund Mosquito Lake Community Center’s Victory Garden.

You contributed to a new door at Haines Recycling Center.

Your donation supported SE AK Independent Living’s operations.

Your generosity supported operational expenses for Haines Avalanche Center, a local branch of the Alaska Avalanche Information Center.

Emergency Response Fund Update

The Chilkat Valley continues to recover from the devastating weather events of December 2020, and the CVCF Emergency Response Fund (ERF) continues to offer assistance to those who are still in need. Your generous donations to the ERF have supported many important activities and provided critical assistance to our community. Thank you!

Southeast Alaska Independent Living (SAIL) has received ERF grants totaling $68,000 to date, with $8,000 going to case management and $60,000 towards disaster recovery assistance to individuals and households. Nearly 60% of that assistance has gone towards rent for displaced individuals and replacement of lost/damaged items due to the storm.

The Chilkoot Indian Association (CIA) has received $14,000 from the ERF to help fund the Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG) Coordinator, a critical position that oversees most of the volunteer efforts towards recovery or repair of damaged properties. The LTRG Coordinator worked with the Haines Borough to offer a program to dispose of over 440,000 pounds of disaster-related construction and demolition debris, and coordinated a work trip this fall by Team Rubicon, a Southern California-based volunteer organization that focuses on disaster recovery missions around the world. Eleven Team Rubicon volunteers removed almost 44,000 pounds of debris from nine properties.

Remaining ERF funds will be used to help individuals and families as the community continues working through the long process of recovery. CVCF appreciates all of the ongoing support that this fund has received, both from within our local community and from friends near and far.
Thanks to our donors, the Chilkat Valley Community Foundation's endowment funds total more than $2,740,739! And these funds will continue to grow, since the principal is never spent. Because of your ongoing support, $37,894 was awarded this year to sixteen organizations and five individuals.

To view our 2021 Grants video presentation, see our Facebook page or our website.

### 2021 Endowment Grants & Scholarships

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**Total Awarded** $37,894.00

These funds came from:
- **Environmental Fund** $1,885 towards Haines Friends of Recycling & Lynn Canal Conservation,
- **Memorial Fund** $2,732 towards Haines Avalanche Center & Friends of the Pool,
- **Fitness & Wellness Fund** $2,018 to Dolphins Swim Team & Haines Huts,
- **Art Jess Scholarship Fund** $6,000 for five scholarships,
- **Call Family Fund** $362 towards Friends of the Pool, and the $24,897 balance came from the **General Endowment Fund**.

Emergency Response Fund 2021 Grants, $82,000 awarded to nonprofits

- $12,648 rent assistance (8 households)
- $2,726 materials for reconstruction (5 households)
- $13,387 replacement lost/damaged items (8 households)
- $5,402 excavation/drainage work (2 households)
- $8,541 debris removal (3 households)
- $8,000 Case Manager to assist 18 households
- $14,000 LTRG Coordinator to assist the community
- $15,296 currently held (being distributed by SAIL)
**Grantee Highlight: Takshanuk Watershed Council**

Takshanuk Watershed Council (TWC) is a nonprofit organization that has been dedicated to fostering stewardship for the Chilkat, Chilkoot, and Ferebee River systems near Haines since 2003. Through their three main program areas of education, research and habitat restoration, TWC benefits the natural ecology, economy and quality of life so valued by the residents of the Chilkat Valley.

The TWC restoration program consists of improving fish habitat through fish passage projects, in-stream restoration, and implementing storm-water best management practices. The education program connects students to their environment through Marvin Garden - school composting and gardening, Chilkat Forest Investigators - after-school outdoor investigations, and Stream Team - weekly water quality data collection in Haines and Klukwan. The TWC research program aims to help local tribes, land managers and individuals better understand our local ecology.

The council employs three full-time staff: Executive Director Derek Poinsette, Science Director Stacie Evans, and Education Coordinator Tracy Wirak-Cassidy, as well as part-time seasonal field technicians. The TWC office is located on the 50-acre conservation parcel known locally as Jones Point. This property was purchased by TWC in 2015 through a partnership with The Conservation Fund, and will be maintained as a nature preserve indefinitely.

TWC has been a recipient of CVCF grants every year that they have applied since 2009. TWC received a $3,000 grant in 2020 for their Summer Work Program, a collaborative program with Southeast Alaska Independent Living that provided hands-on job training for eleven youth this past summer. In addition to teaching these youth valuable job and interpersonal skills, this program also provided free project assistance to numerous individuals and organizations. Youth worked at the Haines School and Mosquito Lake gardens; recycled over 4,000 pounds of old fishnets at the Haines Recycling Center; painted picnic tables and booths at the Fairgrounds; and built community trails, among other jobs. In all, this past summer’s crew contributed over 1,600 hours of work that benefited our community!

TWC also aided Friends of Mosquito Lake Community Center (MLCC) by being a fiscal sponsor for the latter’s 2020 Victory Garden grant. This $2,000 grant supported the hire of a Community Outreach/Volunteer Coordinator to oversee weekly work parties from March to October for the very successful 6,000 square foot garden, thereby increasing food security for our region. **You made these grants possible - thank you!**

**Memorial Fund**

*Started in 2011, the founding donors gave in memory of*

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Legacy Gifts: Plan Now, Give Later

Our new Chilkat Valley Medical/Health Fund is now open! This is the brainchild of Legacy Society members Ron Stotz and Nancy Bandy, who hope it will alleviate some of the financial burden of medical expenses for people in the Chilkat Valley. Any nonprofits providing health or medical assistance in the Chilkat Valley will be eligible for grants from this fund, providing invaluable help for locals struggling through medical challenges.

Last year we reported this field of interest fund would become active when the time comes to settle Ron and Nancy’s estate. But the idea caught the attention of local donors, who thought we should try to establish the fund now. This past fall, six local donors joined Ron and Nancy in making donations to reach the $10,000 level necessary to activate the fund. That means the fund is not yet officially endowed, but it is “open.” We can receive donations to the fund, building it up little by little. When the fund has $25,000 it will become endowed, preserving the principal forever. This may happen before Ron and Nancy’s bequest comes to us, but at their initiative and from their generosity, the fund can already be gaining momentum for the Chilkat Valley. How exciting that their legacy has become a reality in 2021!

Legacy gifts are important to CVCF. Giving one is a promise of a future donation to the foundation. It shows the donor’s confidence in CVCF and commitment to ensuring a high quality of life for folks in the Chilkat Valley. In 2021, we welcomed three new Legacy Society members: Sharon Resnick, Cindy Buxton and an anonymous donor.

When Cindy Buxton and her husband Russ White got stuck in New Zealand with a medical emergency last year, the unexpected generosity and support of New Zealanders helped them through their dilemma. Their experience became an incentive to make a legacy bequest to CVCF.

Cindy says, “This last year we were on the receiving end of all sorts of incredible help. While we were in New Zealand my husband Russ ended up in the hospital. He was diagnosed with cancer and because of COVID it wasn’t safe for us to head home. We ended up staying many months in New Zealand while he got treatment. It was hard being away from home, away from our support group, in a foreign country during a pandemic, while dealing with a cancer diagnosis. I don’t know how we would have made it through that time without help from people in Haines and in New Zealand.

Now that we are home and my husband is fine, I have wanted to find ways to give back to the community. I have made donations to various local and international charities, but I wanted to do more. I love the option of leaving a legacy donation to CVCF. It was easy to do. All I had to do was list CVCF as one of the beneficiaries of my IRA, and then let CVCF know that I had done that. I didn’t have to tell them an exact amount. CVCF was helpful while I figured it out.

I know CVCF will use the money wisely. They will know the best place to use the money when the time comes. And with the beneficiary option, I don’t need to worry about holding back enough in the account for us to live on, so I can be more generous. I also like that they will get the money tax-free. I feel really good about giving a legacy donation.”

There are many ways you can become a Legacy Society donor. You can name CVCF as a beneficiary on an IRA or insurance policy, you can set up a field of interest fund in your will, or you can simply give a dollar amount, an asset, or a percentage of your estate to the fund of your choice. Your legacy gift helps ensure our community will be healthy and happy for years to come.

We Appreciate You!

If you are in Haines next June, please join us for our annual Donor Appreciation Event.

Advisory Board member Chuck Mitman greets donors at our 2021 event.
Grantee Highlight: Haines Avalanche Center

As an international destination for winter sports, Haines attracts experts and amateurs from around the world for some of the wildest skiing, snowboarding and snowmachining available anywhere. Locals enjoy the backcountry in winter as well, but big mountains with the deepest powder are also the most unstable and pose the biggest danger of avalanches.

Before the Haines Avalanche Center (HAC) was established in 2010, winter recreationists here had no consistent, reliable source for mentorship, guidance, and safety information about winter backcountry activities. Since its inception, HAC has consistently provided a multi-faceted, reliable avalanche program for unguided backcountry users.

As part of their current operations, HAC maintains two alpine weather stations; offers numerous free classes on avalanche safety and community beacon practices; and provides online weather data, professional quality snow observations, radio snow reports, and a regular avalanche forecast, from November to April.

The avalanche forecast is critical. It synthesizes information gathered from many sources, including snow pits, weather stations, weather models, reports from skiers, and information shared by heli-ski operations. It gives users a detailed look at the current state of the snowpack, highlights any known dangers and how to avoid them, and teaches ways to minimize risk while traveling in avalanche terrain under current conditions.

Currently, HAC has three part-time staff, all qualified to standards set by the National Avalanche Center. Erik Stevens is the director and forecaster, and Jeff Moskowitz and Tim Thomas are both forecasters and educators.

When the unprecedented weather event of last December hit Haines, HAC stepped up in many ways. Not only was HAC staff part of the local search and rescue efforts, but HAC also created a brand new community service: the Haines Precipitation Tracker (alaskasnow.org/haines/rain.html). According to HAC Director Stevens, this resource “brings together all of the rainfall and snow-water data in the region in real time, to help community members make sense of big winter storms and help assess the threats of landslides and flooding, thus empowering community members—especially those living at the base of steep slopes—to make informed choices in managing their own risk.” Given last winter’s local weather events, this new service is an invaluable addition to HAC’s safety programs.

CVCF donors have been strong supporters of HAC from the beginning, and CVCF has given a grant to this important organization every year that they have applied since their first grant proposal in 2015.

The Living Treasures Program

The Living Treasures Program gives people an opportunity, when they give to any fund, to publicly honor and thank individuals they value who have made a difference in their lives. This year, donors honored the following individuals as Living Treasures:

- Allen Arnone & Morgen Smith
- Melissa Aronson
- Jeff Baird
- Shaleena Bott
- Richard & Annie Caulfield
- Winter Cheney & his fundraiser
- Aaron Davidman & Sarana Miller
- Drew Degen
- Celeste Grimes
- The Haines community
- Haines EMS
- Haines EOC
- Haines Landslide Disaster Relief
- Georgia Haisler
- Tom Hall
- Vince & Jansy Hansen
- Bryan Harman
- The Hayden-Lewis Family
- Hearts for Haines
- Danny Hill
- Michelle Howell
- Norma, Ruth & Esther Hurlburt
- KHNS & CVN journalists
- Barbara Laye
- Heather Lende
- The McPhetres Family
- Medical staff who nobly serve
- John Norton
- Joe Oesterling & Tracy Mikowski
- Jesse Pinkman
- Roger Schnabel
- SEARHC nurses
- Peter Sidmore
- The Staska Family
- Jim Stock
- Ron Stotz & Nancy Bandy
- Janice Studley
- Damon Stuebner & Rebecca Smith
- Sue & Sarah
- Van Sundberg & Tracey Miller
- Tom Traibush & Nomi Sundberg
- Don Turner, Jr.
- Helen VanNice
- Nene Wolfe
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### Community Champion – $5,000 and up

- Matthew Craig and Terry Mulligan, Estate of Alexandra Melanie Feit, Forbidden Peak Brewery, Haines Borough, Juneau Community Foundation, Alvin A. and Roberta T. Klein Trust/Jesse & Renee Escamilla, Lynn Canal Corporation

### Community Leader – $1,000 - $4,999


### Community Advocate – $250 - $999


### Community Partner – Up to $249


### Anonymous Donors

- Anonymous (1), Anonymous (3), Anonymous (6)

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