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**STUDENTS AWARD MORE THAN \$100,000 TO LOCAL NONPROFITS THROUGH GIVE NEXT PROGRAM**

FORT COLLINS, Colo., June 10, 2019 – More than 400 Larimer County middle and high school students participating in the Give Next youth philanthropy program capped off their school year by awarding more than \$100,000 to 40 Larimer County nonprofits.

With financial support from local businesses, foundations and individuals, students from the Poudre and Thompson School Districts awarded grants to recipients including Hearts & Horses, Inc., the Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center and Teaching Tree Early Childhood Learning Center. Give Next is a partnership of community volunteers and organizations that includes Bohemian Foundation, the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, Poudre School District, Thompson School District and the Give Next Advisory Committee.

“Give Next reminds us all about how thoughtful, insightful and inspiring local students are,” said Sara Maranowicz, Bohemian Foundation’s Community Programs Director. “We celebrate this important accomplishment of awarding grants, but it’s just the start of what students have achieved this year. Students convey an expanded understanding of social issues; empathy for individuals impacted by these issues; a deep appreciation and knowledge of local nonprofits; a sense of responsibility to actively engage in their community; a willingness to constructively debate and share decision-making with their peers; and the pride of knowing they’re creating real change – not just through money, but by caring.”

Give Next is a school-based youth philanthropy program designed to provide middle and high school students with experience in philanthropic giving. Through the program, local businesses, foundations and individuals become classroom donors by providing each participating school with \$5,000 to award to Larimer County nonprofits. Many of the students from participating schools also complete their own fundraisers to add to the \$5,000 grant amount provided by donors. This year, Give Next students raised more than \$10,000 through these fundraisers. Throughout the year, students design and manage their own grantmaking programs. Students work together to identify community needs, choose a focus area, create their own mission statement, research nonprofits, volunteer, conduct site visits, review grant applications and make funding decisions. At the end of the school year, students award grants to selected nonprofits. Through the process, Give Next enables students to experience the power of teamwork, the impact they can have on their community and the rewards of giving time, talent and treasure.

Currently, 18 middle and high schools in Poudre and Thompson School Districts participate in Give Next. Since the program’s inception in 2012, more than \$450,000 has been awarded to Larimer County nonprofits – \$390,000 of which was provided by classroom donors and nearly \$70,000 of which was raised by Give Next students. Every donor dollar goes directly to student grantmaking. For more information about becoming a Give Next classroom donor or about participating in the

program, contact Jodie Riesenberger at 970-221-2636 or givenext@bohemianfoundation.org.

**Full List of 2018-2019 Give Next Grant Recipients:**

Students awarded a total of \$101,381 to 40 organizations.

School	Grant Recipient	Amount
<b>Poudre School District:</b>		
Boltz Middle School		
	Boys and Girls Clubs of Larimer County	\$2,500
	Crossroads Safehouse	\$3,300
	Hearts & Horses, Inc.	\$2,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$7,800</b>
Cache La Poudre Middle IB World School		
	Disabled Resource Services	\$1,000
	Foothills Gateway, Inc.	\$1,190
	Foundation Music School	\$955
	Respite Care, Inc.	\$1,500
	The Arc of Larimer County	\$1,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,645</b>
Fort Collins High School		
	Food Bank for Larimer County	\$1,000
	Hearts & Horses, Inc.	\$1,000
	Project Smile Corporation	\$1,000
	Royal Family Kids Camp	\$1,000
	Teaching Tree Early Childhood Learning Center	\$1,000
	Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program	\$1,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
Kinard Core Knowledge Middle School		
	Ramstrength	\$5,000
	Respite Care, Inc.	\$1,061
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$6,061</b>
Leshar Middle IB World School		
	Center for Family Outreach	\$1,351
	Fort Collins Rescue Mission	\$2,131
	Partners Mentoring Youth	\$719
	TEAM Wellness & Prevention	\$1,284
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,485</b>
Lincoln Middle IB World School		
	Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County	\$1,000
	Hearts & Horses, Inc.	\$500

	Partners Mentoring Youth	\$500
	Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center	\$750
	The Family Center / La Familia	\$291
	Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program	\$2,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,041</b>
Polaris Expeditionary Learning School		
	Partners Mentoring Youth	\$1,508
	Realities for Children	\$3,000
	Voices Carry Child Advocacy Center	\$1,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,508</b>
Poudre Community Academy		
	Alternatives to Violence, Inc.	\$500
	Canyon Concert Ballet	\$500
	Center for Family Outreach	\$500
	Dance Express	\$500
	Fort Collins Museum of Discovery, NPP	\$500
	Foundation Music School	\$450
	LAUNCH: Community Through Skateboarding	\$500
	The Center for Fine Art Photography	\$500
	The Friends of the Gardens on Spring Creek	\$600
	The Matthews House	\$500
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,050</b>
Poudre High School		
	ChildSafe Colorado, Inc.	\$5,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
PSD Global Academy		
	3Hopeful Hearts	\$170
	Family Housing Network of Fort Collins	\$3,000
	Fort Collins Habitat for Humanity	\$2,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,170</b>
Rocky Mountain High School		
	3Hopeful Hearts	\$2,500
	CASA of Larimer County – Harmony House	\$1,000
	Hearts & Horses, Inc.	\$1,000
	Make-A-Wish Foundation of Colorado, Inc.	\$1,000
	The Family Center / La Familia	\$1,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>
Wellington Middle School		
	Hearts & Horses, Inc.	\$1,000
	Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center	\$1,000
	Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth of Colorado, Inc. (SAFY of CO)	\$3,000

	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>Thompson School District</b>		
Berthoud High School		
	Alternatives to Violence, Inc.	\$2,590
	Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center	\$1,590
	Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth of Colorado, Inc. (SAFY of CO)	\$1,300
	The Arc of Larimer County	\$810
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$6,290</b>
High Plains School		
	CASA of Larimer County	\$3,000
	ChildSafe Colorado, Inc.	\$1,500
	Realities for Children	\$1,813
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$6,313</b>
Loveland High School		
	3Hopeful Hearts	\$2,116
	Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County	\$3,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,116</b>
Lucile Erwin Middle School		
	Easter Seals Colorado	\$1,902
	Hearts & Horses, Inc.	\$2,000
	The Arc of Larimer County	\$1,500
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,402</b>
Mountain View High School		
	Catholic Charities – The Mission	\$1,000
	Family Housing Network of Fort Collins	\$4,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
Thompson Valley High School		
	Food Bank for Larimer County	\$2,500
	The Matthews House	\$2,500
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>		<b>\$101,381</b>

Bohemian Foundation is a private family foundation established in 2001. Based in Fort Collins, Colorado, Bohemian Foundation works to empower citizens and impact communities through its responsive grant making programs and special initiatives. Bohemian Foundation provides management support for Give Next.

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