



COMMUNITY CONNECTION



Over \$500,000 Granted to Local Nonprofits

This year, the Seward Community Foundation (SCF), an Affiliate of The Alaska Community Foundation, reached an impressive milestone for a young organization: more than half a million dollars has been granted to local nonprofits that benefit residents of Seward, Moose Pass, and Lowell Point.

From the grant total of \$9,975 in 2009 to nearly \$144,000 awarded so far in 2017, SCF funding has helped create programs like the Volunteer Hospice and the Community Garden.

Additionally, grants have allowed organizations like our schools, first responders, and the Senior Center, to provide special services and educational programs for all ages.



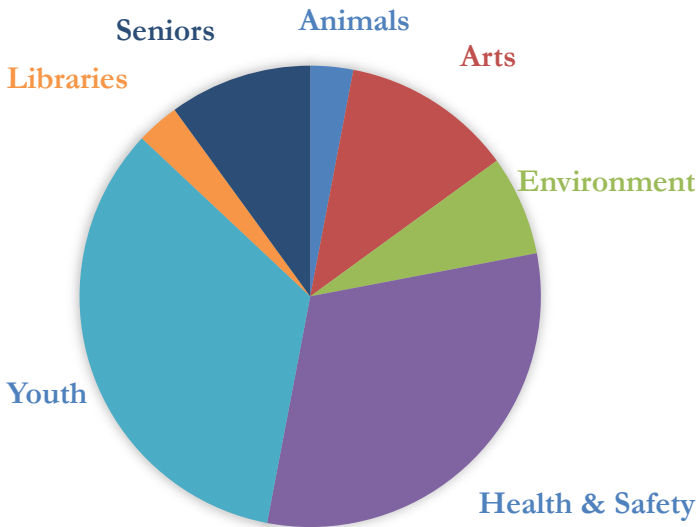
Community members attend the 2016 Community Holiday Party at the Alaska SeaLife Center. SCF is proud to support this annual event with our mini-grants.

SCF supports strong nonprofits through our annual competitive grant cycle and our monthly mini-grants. We also work with local donors to create new strategies for giving. An example is the Dieter Family Endowment Fund for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Teen Suicide.

The money granted comes from interest generated by the endowed funds at SCF, which now total more than \$2.9 million and continue to grow through donations by people who want to have a long-term impact in our community.

SCF has reached this level of local giving through support from our many generous donors, the Rasmuson Foundation, The Alaska Community Foundation, the work of local board members, and the organizations who create projects and programs that make our community a better place to live. Thank you to all who have contributed. We look forward to our increased growth and impact in future years.

GRANTS HAVE SUPPORTED A VARIETY OF COMMUNITY ASSETS SINCE 2009





Honoring Loved Ones

Memorial Contributions and the Living Treasures Program are two wonderful ways to honor and remember individuals who are important to you. SCF is proud to offer these opportunities that recognize those who impact the lives of our community members.

The Living Treasures Program is a way for donors to honor friends, relatives, or community members they value and who make a difference. Recognized as Living Treasures in 2017 are: Tom and Mary Tougas, Charlie and Hannah Chestnut, and Paul Ruppel.

The Seward Community Foundation Memorial Contribution provides an opportunity to honor the memory of a family member, friend, or beloved pet with a monetary gift in their name. Memorial gifts have been made in 2017 to remember: Percy Blatchford, Marlene Nevé, and Patricia Thorn. Their memory will live on through grants awarded to local nonprofit organizations.

Pick.Click.Give.

Kick Off 2018 with an Impact

Celebrate the New Year by donating a portion of your Permanent Fund Dividend to a local nonprofit when you apply for your PFD in 2018. By making a pledge of \$25 or more, you can support a cause that is important to you. Your friends, family, and neighbors all benefit from local giving.

You can support the following local nonprofits through Pick.Click.Give:

- Alaska Health Fair
- Alaska Marine Conservation Council
- Alaska SeaLife Center
- Boys and Girls Club of the Kenai Peninsula
- Independent Living Center or ILC
- Providence Alaska Foundation
- Resurrection Bay Conservation Alliance
- SeaView Community Services
- Seward Arts Council
- Seward Community Foundation ACF
- Seward He Will Provide Food Pantry
- Seward Senior Center
- SOS Pets Seward

Thank you to our 2016 and 2017 Donors!

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Dear Friends of the Seward Community Foundation,

To be nourished, feel safe, be loved, and respected. These are considered basic conditions for developing happy humans and their communities. **Because of donors like you**, the Seward Community Foundation is able to meet needs across our community as they arise. Gifts from you and other donors have allowed us to reach the incredible milestone of granting more than \$500,000 to our community since 2008.

Each grant request tells a story about our community. From the 2017 grant requests alone we learned that the Nordic Ski Club grooms approximately 28 miles of trails during the winter ski season. Kids in the Ocean Sciences Club at the Alaska Sealife Center have assisted in necropsies of common murre, seals, octopus, and Humboldt squid. Seaview Community Services offers essential parenting classes to families who would otherwise have to travel out of town to receive this training. The Seward Arts Council, Seward Music Association, and the Seward PTA collaborate annually to bring professional musicians, theater groups, and arts programs to the schools and community. And the Seward Area Hospice offered a class about the Five Wishes, and living wills. Our area nonprofits are made up of people helping each other to realize, maintain, and enrich the quality of life in our community.



A Seward High School senior teaches a senior citizen how to navigate the information super highway and to operate a tablet thanks to an SCF grant to the Senior Center.

Now that the year is coming to a close, please consider a year-end contribution to help us continue to make a better community for all of us, now and forever.

Your impact will be doubled thanks to the Rasmuson Foundation and The Alaska Community Foundation. They have committed to match donations raised, dollar-for-dollar, up to \$185,000 to SCF endowed funds through 2020. Achieving the Match Challenge will add \$250,000 to our grant endowments and \$120,000 to our operating endowment, but we can't reach this goal without your support. Your gifts can be made easily and securely online at www.sewardcf.org/give-today.

At this time of year for celebration and gratitude, I am indeed grateful you choose to partner with the Seward Community Foundation. We simply couldn't make a difference in our community without your support.

With much gratitude,

Patricia Linville
Seward Community Foundation Advisory Board Chair

Thank you for helping build an endowment to support healthy communities in Seward.

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an Affiliate of The Alaska Community Foundation.

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Connecting people who care with causes that matter

About us

The Seward Community Foundation is a permanent charitable fund for the Seward area. Your gifts will be part of a long-term endowment, allowing you to invest in our community's future and contribute to our quality of life. These charitable contributions will connect donors with causes they care about, and catalyze community planning between individuals, organizations, and governments.

Locally advised, the Seward Community Foundation is focused on the needs of the area through a permanent endowment that makes annual grants to nonprofit groups serving the community.

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